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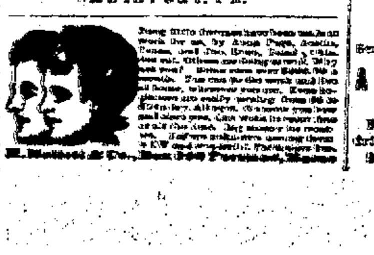

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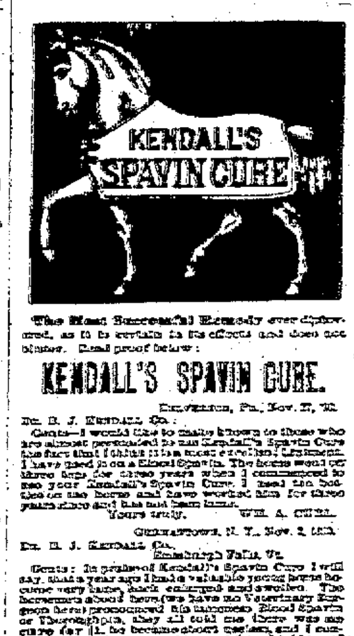

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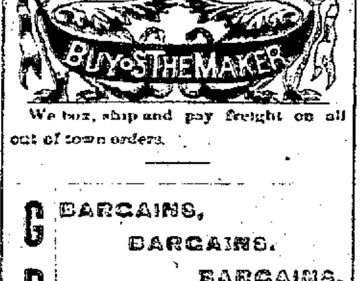

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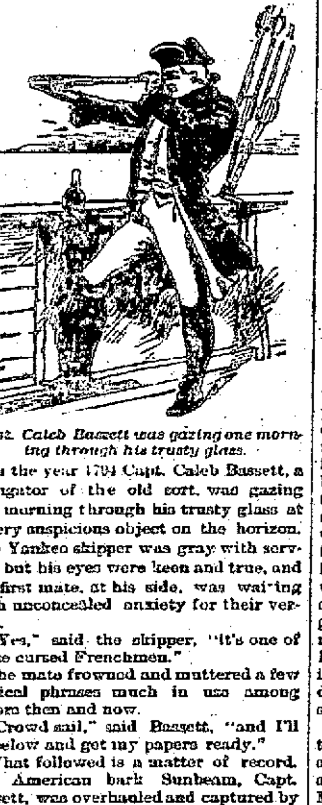
CHAPTER I.

THE HEIRLOOM.



Capt. Caleb Bassett was gazing one morning through his trusty glass.

In the year 1794 Capt. Caleb Bassett, a navigator of the old sort, was gazing one morning through his trusty glass at a very suspicious object on the horizon. The Yankee skipper was gray with service, but his eyes were keen and true, and the first mate, at his side, was waiting with unconcealed anxiety for their verdict.

"Yes," said the skipper, "it's one of these cursed Frenchmen."

The mate frowned and muttered a few biblical phrases much in use among sailors then and now.

"Crowd sail," said Bassett, "and I'll go below and get my papers ready."

What followed is a matter of record. The American bark Sunbeam, Capt. Bassett, was overhauled and captured by a French cruiser, and its cargo of provisions confiscated. The prize was taken to France, condemned and sold, and the food distributed among the starving poor. And Capt. Bassett, who was a very careful and methodical man, duly wrote out a protest and an itemized claim for damages, amounting, for ship and cargo, to $28,317.80. This, in brief, was "The Bassett Claim"—an heirloom which is still preserved in the family. Its name may not be familiar to the reader; and yet there have been no less than forty-three reports made to different congresses on this claim, as one of a number of similar cases, and without much doubt there will be many more; for we all know the power of habit, and congress can be fairly said to have contracted the habit of a favorable report on the French spoliation claims.

It has been urged, as one of the objections in the way of settling these claims, that they "slept," but no lawyer could retreat behind such a technical defense as this with regard to the Bassett claim. On the contrary, it had been afflicted with insomnia from birth. The methodical Capt. Bassett, being very loth to lose at one stroke the bulk of his hard earned competence, took proper legal advice, made out his case, and duly laid it before Mr. Morris, then our minister at Paris. Mr. Morris, writing home to the state department at this time, used the following plain language: "These captures create great confusion, must produce much damage to mercantile men and are a source of endless and well founded complaint. Every post brings me piles of letters about it from all quarters." One fat package in these piles came from Capt. Caleb Bassett, and it was perhaps after reading its contents that the minister added: "If I were to give way to the clamors of the injured parties I ought to make demands very like a declaration of war."

But Mr. Morris was able to get very little satisfaction for Capt. Bassett, nor was Col. James Munroe, who soon afterward succeeded him, able to do more. And, in fact, matters yearly grew worse instead of better, in spite of the efforts of such men as Pinckney, Marshall and Gerry, until, after five years of letter writing—in a shaky, crabbed hand, much at variance with his firm and even disposition—the skipper was hot for war, and as the original lobbyist for the Bassett claim, went to Philadelphia in 1798, and was one of many who urged the government to demand justice of France at the cannon's mouth.

But calmer and wiser counsels prevailed. The cannon after all is a poor debater. No one was ever convinced by having his leg shot off or his only son blown to pieces by a shell. And in this particular case we should have been obliged to cope with a master in that stolid, brutal line of argument—a young Corsican adventurer, then at the head of the French government, who shortly after became very famous for his skill in disputations of this character.

Now, as a matter of fact, laying aside national pride for the moment, we did have our match game of empire with Napoleon, and, like everybody else, got worsted; only he checkmated us with a bishop instead of a castle. For just as Caleb Bassett and others were shouting their loudest for redress, that shrewd priest Talleyrand shoved sidelong out with a counter charge of national claims on us, springing from our neglect to perform the duties of friendship, as stipulated in the all important treaty under which France became our ally in the war for independence. Talleyrand admitted that we had some plausible claims on them—they certainly had on us; but both nations were "hard up" and in trouble—suppose we "call it square."

And finally we did; by a vote of twenty-two to four in the senate—each of the obdurate four receiving a spiteful letter of thanks from Captain Bassett for his firm though unavailing opposition. But though angry and disturbed, the skipper was not discouraged, for he was given to understand that our government had merely bought off France with these claims, and would now settle them promptly and on equitable terms.

So Mr. Timothy Pickering, the secretary of state who drew the instructions, told the captain, and so the same person wrote many years later, telling the story succinctly as follows: "Thus the government bartered the just claim of our merchants on France to obtain a relinquishment of the French claim. * * * On this view of the case it would seem that the merchants have an equitable claim for indemnity from the United States."

But, not to go into an argument, Capt. Bassett took "this view of the case" at any rate, and spent a part of several winters in Philadelphia and Washington trying to get his money; and at five years' difference in time he was instrumental in securing two favorable statements of fact—one by Mr. Giles in 1802, and the other by Mr. Marion in 1807. But by this time he was growing old and attached to his arborial stoop at home, so that in that year he formally gave the claim to his only son, Windward Bassett, born aboard the unfortunate Sunbeam on a cruise to the Windward Isles in 1780.

Windward Bassett was the shopkeeper of the family, and was too busy and prosperous to make a good claimant. Moreover, for a number of reasons, the French claims fell into disfavor at this time, and between 1818 and 1824 met the only three unfavorable reports they ever encountered. Windward Bassett did not neglect the claim, however, by any means, but shortly after the old skipper's death, which occurred in 1815, he put the bill, shopkeeper fashion, into the hands of an attorney for collection, and went prosperously on selling kegs of nails, big shoes and rum to his neighbors.

Windward Bassett, second, his oldest son, would naturally have inherited the heirloom on his father's death in 1837, but he had little more reverence for it than his father had entertained, and so had willingly assigned it to his younger brother, Thomas Jefferson Bassett, who loved politics and adventure, and wished for nothing so much as a good excuse for a sojourn in Washington.

Thomas Jefferson Bassett, or old Tom Bassett, as he was universally called for the last forty years of his life, deserves more than a passing notice. For the greater part of two generations he was an object of veneration and mystery to the Bassett family and to the townspeople generally. He was a man of great decision of character and fortitude of mind, but of a sunny disposition and the kindest manners in the world. In his leisure, and one of his peculiarities was that he never seemed to have any business, he was fond of telling stories, and was in fact famous throughout the county for his anecdotes and reminiscences. He had mixed with men, had traveled widely, he observed keenly, had a ready and retentive memory, and, withal, the gift of story telling. And, what was rather strange in a story teller, old Tom Bassett was not a liar; all of his reminiscences were genuine and honest, as indeed his life in all respects was simple, sincere and blameless.

Tom Bassett went to Washington for the first time in 1827, the hopes of claimants having been revived in that year by a favorable report made to the senate by Mr. Holmes, buttressed by new evidence and cogent argument. From that time on he took an active interest in the claim and in the claims, and was concerned in the legislation upon them until shortly before his death at a good old age in 1879. Would that he had written his memoirs of "Fifty Years a Lobbyist at Washington!" As it was, he merely talked in the easy chair to eagerly listening friends, instead of to the world through a stenographer; but that talk was nevertheless an epitome of our political history, for he had known public men, not conventionally through books or by reputation, but from personal and familiar intercourse.

During this half century, forty favorable reports had been made on the claims and they had passed both houses of congress twice, only to encounter a presidential veto. It was reported that Tom Bassett, like George Washington on great occasions, broke over his habit of kind and temperate language when the second veto, that of Pierce, was transmitted to the house of representatives. It certainly chilled his enthusiasm, for from that time forth his visits to Washington were less frequent and his association with public men less intimate. Then the civil war came on, and thoughts were turned aside from petty grievances, though in the thickest of the strife Charles Sumner found time to write his masterly report on the subject, a classic among our state papers, and an argument upon which the claimants can, and probably will, rest their case for all time to come.

Meanwhile death had not been idle, and at the appointed hour both Windward Bassett, Tom's elder brother, and Charles Caleb Bassett, Windward Bassett's son, went to their account. How well Sumner's irony applied to this family! "The great speculator," he wrote, "has been death; for there are few of these claims that have not passed through his hands."

Charles Caleb Bassett, born in 1823, never took much interest in the heirloom, save as he was amused at his Uncle Tom's Washington anecdotes. He was the scholar of the family, the pride and hope of all; but he died at 35, leaving a widow and one child of 5 years, bearing the family name of Windward Bassett. Four months later a posthumous daughter, Florence, was born.

CHAPTER II.

A FLOWER AND A BOUQUET.

Childhood grew to boyhood, and that was ripening into youth when, at 19, Windward Bassett entered Yale College. He was then perhaps 5 feet 8 in height, with an honest, modest face and a slight but erect and graceful figure. His eyes were large and a romantic blue; his complexion was fair and clear; in short, good health, good habits, good nature and good breeding shone in his blushing face and easy, vigorous carriage. He dressed neatly withal, and coming events had cast their shadows before on his upper lip.

At first, of course, all was bustle and confusion, but this chaos was soon resolved into order and beauty. Affinities found out one another and combined, and in an incredibly short time the new class was organized, reputations made and heroes worshipped.

Among those who came early to the front as a leader was a sturdy young fellow named Peter Stevens, not very brilliant, witty or fascinating in manners, but sensible, capable, sincere and agreeable. He was large and strong of bodily frame, but he appeared to advantage in the recitation room as well as on the play ground, for the tutor's probe soon discovered proof of hard, steady work done on a hopeful basis of good native abilities and thorough training.

"Well, here we are, Pete."

It would be as difficult to trace the friendship of Bassett and Stevens to its origin as to follow the Saco to its secret fountains in the Crawford Notch. They had met by accident. Their soft hearts fused easily; as it happened, they took a room together where a thousand trivial incidents of common daily experience united them with the binding strength of a cable of threads. In the first turbulent weeks of the course—once turbulent, that is, now tame—they shouted, scuffled and suffered side by side. Then quieter times followed; silent hours of faithful study, as together they climbed the steepy hill of knowledge: a toilsome progress surely, but what noble sport! What air we get on the mountains, what views, what a sense of victory!

Thus their friendship, founded in nature and maintained by virtue, grew deeper and firmer with time, until from chatting on commonplaces they had come to speak frankly of third persons, and finally, after many tests and lessons, had been able to talk in earnest of themselves, to entrust each other with their anxieties and frailties, make their confessions and each assume a share of the other's burden, "which," as Bacon says, "tieth the knot."

Meanwhile the quick years had been slipping to the rear, and now the end came to hand. For to-morrow, be it known, is presentation day, and immediately following commencement, when Stevens, as one of the leading scholars of the graduating class, has a place of honor on the programme; and he is hard at work, therefore, this balmy afternoon putting the finishing touches of elocutionary grace on his oration on "The Dangers of Representative Institutions."

Windward had left him early in the afternoon to meet Mrs. Bassett and Florence at the train. For this is a proud season for mothers and sisters, and both these good ladies had long made their plans to see their darling graduated. Uncle Tom had intended to be present also, but he was now feeling the touch of age and at the last moment decided not to leave his arm chair on the porch.

"But it's no matter," he said to Florence. "You will find the young gentlemen attentive and quite willing to take charge of you, and I hear that young ladies of 18 prefer three beaux of 24 to one of 72."

"Pshaw!" replied Florence merrily, "I'd rather have you than all of 'em!"

"Undoubtedly," said the old gentleman gravely. "But as against some yet unknown one of them I am not so sure. Not so sure," he repeated, taking her soft, fair, fluttering hand in his and stroking it fondly. "Well, my darling, enjoy your youth, but remember that pretty cheeks and blue eyes have often made their owner very miserable, and will you, unless you keep a kind, true heart."

Uncle Tom did not often moralize, and his sermons were always short, but they had a way of reaching the heart that clergymen might have studied to gain.

But, not to linger under the spell of Tom Bassett's tender, friendly, searching eyes, though all loved to, and owned their charm and yielded to their power—thus it was that the two ladies, mother and daughter, came alone.

Windward met them at the station and escorted them to the hotel. And then, of course, their first sightseeing, after just a glance in the glass, was a visit to that wonderful room and that wonderful chum.

"I declare, here they are now!" exclaimed Stevens, as his ears caught a confusion of happy noises and the unfamiliar rustle of skirts on the stairs, and pop! the manuscript went into a drawer, and slam went a closet door, that like charity and our hair, covered a multitude of sins. All of a sudden, and quite too late for remedying, it occurred to Peter that the room might be neater; but he had scarcely time to blush before in tumbled Windward, all aglow with happiness, and close at his heels, the ladies.

"Well, here we are, Pete," he cried; and then, remembering his manners, he translated his greeting into the formal phrases of society: "Mr. Stevens, my mother and my sister Florence."

Then he, too, seemed all at once to feel some compunctions, and turning to his mother, whose kind face wore an amused look, he exclaimed: "This is our den. Not so very pretty, that's a fact, but, like the homely girls, it's 'awful good and real attractive' when you get well acquainted."

"That will never have to be said of you," thought Peter, looking at Florence; wishing he dared to say so, and not conscious that he had said so very plainly with his eyes, and that her bright smile was his reward.

This, then, was sister Floy—that little girl, that Miss, who had sent them sweetmeats and toy lambrequins for brackets, and wrote the demure, precise letters Windward had often read extracts from! He perceived that for some years he had been laboring under a misapprehension, and he now was a competent witness to the truth of Windward's once or twice repeated remark that "Floy did not take a good picture." No; the photographers can now register to the one-twenty-thousandth part of a second, they may take the vibration of the telephone, but they cannot yet cope with the subtle, changeful beauty of a face, its softening and deepening glow, the play of the features, the alteration of the eyes. No; science may be able to photograph lightning, but not yet the soul.

The true Florence Bassett, as Stevens for the first time now saw her, was perhaps a trifle above the average height of American women: if so, it was only a trifle, and the impression might have been due to her perfect though slender proportions. Slender, to be sure, she was, but only as becomes maidenhood, and withal graceful and rounded. Her head was classic in mold and pose. The contour of the face was that of the Venus of Milo, but younger and holier. It was the head of the queen of love before she had loved; Venus at 18—an innocent and virgin Venus, unconscious of her sovereign charms and unversed in their use.

One who met her for the first time might be struck before all by the changeful beauty of her complexion. Such rosy cheeks and lips are rarely given to American women. The expression of her features was enchanting. There radiated from them, even when in repose, sociable pleasure, kindness, and an innocent delight in life, and when she smiled it was like daybreak in Eden.

Her figure was girlish and yet womanly. Her neck, shoulders and bust and the lines of her waist and body melted into one another and combined as one symmetrical composition. Her hands and feet were neither small nor large, but comely, finely formed and in proportion to her figure. In short, her form was logical and harmonious—nothing exaggerated, nothing tiny. She had no fashionable deformities. Cold water was her wash and health her rouge. She stood erect, and trod the earth like its princess.

One item more. It is a pretty trick in drawing to fill a sheet with seemingly random lines, and then by one quick stroke to create order and complete the design; and in like manner this sketch may be finished by speaking of her eyes. They were a blue of their own. Their expression, moreover, was absolutely original, and they shone behind their fringes like planets at evening twilight while the sky is still blue and the air is dreamy and bland.

"I feel like old friends," said the beauty, as Peter handed her a chair, "Windward has written so much about you. And such a queer room! I'd like to go to college, mamma!"

Peter managed to blurt out that under those circumstances he should advocate the co-education of the sexes.

"I'm afraid I shouldn't study much, though," observed Florence, thoughtfully, her glances wandering around the walls to notice their decorations.

"I'm sure I wouldn't!" exclaimed Peter so frankly that they all laughed.

"See that great long oar, mamma," said the young lady, pointing with her sunshade to where it hung along the wall.

"Yes," said Windward, "that did good service in the race I wrote about."

"What makes it so crooked?" asked Florence.

"Why, it's a spoon oar," said Windward. "Don't you know?—you don't, of course, but we will take you down to the boathouse after supper—won't we, Pete? —and show them around."

"Yes, that will be splendid!" exclaimed Florence, "unless Mr. Stevens is busy."

Mr. Stevens glanced toward the drawer, which, like Pandora's box, held all the dangers of representative institutions, and then into Florence Bassett's eyes, where lurked greater dangers still, and said he had nothing to do and would be very happy to go.

But first they made the tour of the room, except what Windward called the Bluebeard closet—and Floy managed to get a quick peep into that—and next round the college green and a turn up Hillhouse avenue and back through the city green to their hotel, where supper was ready, and Stevens must sit down to it with them. Then finally they hurried down to the boat house, where they saw the long skeleton shells—Floy called them centipedes—and where the ladies were treated to a short ride in a frail outrigger skiff.

Florence enjoyed this novel experience immensely, and no wonder. Mrs. Bassett possibly thought too much of the danger, but her daughter's eyes sparkled and her cheeks flushed with excitement, and she talked all sorts of girlish nonsense. And Stevens, who had hitherto admired her for her quiet, modest manners, now perceived she was most charming when animated. Singularly enough, he had thought she showed to special advantage in the dormitory; but in the open carriage, in the great green aisles of the elms, it was wonderful how the forest setting became her. At supper he decided she looked extremely pretty while eating, and wondered why some women shrank from such a test; and now in the boat, framed in the sunset, she certainly made a most lovely picture. Her hasty change in attire at supper, too, seemed to make no difference. In the brown dress she had been charming, but the navy blue was equally becoming. It was very curious.

The next day was presentation day, and the Bassetts duly attended the entire exercises, though, to tell the truth—which the ladies were very careful not to tell—the ceremonies were rather tedious. But what was of sole importance after all, they could see that Windward was clearly a favorite with his classmates, and that his friend also was a man of standing and value among them.

Wednesday the older boys had their holiday, and were left in possession of the college grounds, to tell all their old stories over again, and make their customary annual speeches and pleas for increased academic funds, while our party of four, cosily filling a coach, drove about the beautiful city and its suburbs. It was a quiet, drowsy drive, for all four felt the reaction from yesterday's exertions—but languor became Florence fully as well as gayety.

It was certainly very pleasant indeed, Stevens thought, to be admitted so cordially into this winsome family circle and share their cultured, happy hearted and affectionate companionship. Not that many smart or wise things were said, but he could see the family traits of sincerity, fidelity and loving kindness which had so drawn him to Windward reflected in all their actions and conversation. And Florence and a bunch of pink rosebuds she wore on her breast certainly went well together. He recalled a floating item he had read somewhere that in the Malay tongue the same word was used for flower and woman, and he thought to himself that those Malays were not such barbarians after all, for, horticulturally speaking, women were flowers and men only weeds, or at best only substantial, nutritious vegetables. How he wished he dared say so, and how he reproached himself that night because he had not said so, and because, too, he had not asked Florence for a bud as a keepsake of the ride. It would have been a natural, proper and delicate bit of attention, he reflected, and would have gratified her. What with his chagrin over the wasted roses of the past and his anxiety respecting the "Dangers of Representative Institutions" in the future Stevens made a rather bad night of it. But morning came at last, and with it the final scenes of college life.

The bell rang merrily, the procession was formed and marched to the historic old Congregational church on the city green, and the crowd poured in. The platform groaned under a learned load of professors and eminent guests. The graduating class sat in the seats of honor, where they could see and be seen. That famous north gallery, sacred on these festivals to ladies, never looked more radiant, and no one of the many noted beauties there outshone the lovely young Miss Bassett.

It was an audience to test the nerves of any orator, and Peter Stevens' stout heart beat fast and hard as he mounted the platform and made his bows. He saw nothing but a confusion of forms and colors, and his ears were filled with a whirl of dizzy noises. Oblivion came down like a mist on his memory, but he held fast to the opening sentence of the speech, and there was nothing to do but to charge the fog bank and trust to luck. So to it he went, and to his great comfort soon found he could always see one or two sentences ahead as he progressed. He began, therefore, to feel more at ease and able to pay due attention to the graces of emphasis and gesticulation, as in turn he dwelt with suitable apprehension on the peril we are in from centralization, ignorant suffrage, machine politics, labor and corporate combinations, the accumulation of large fortunes and the evils of luxury. Then a few graceful phrases in closing and the speech was done.

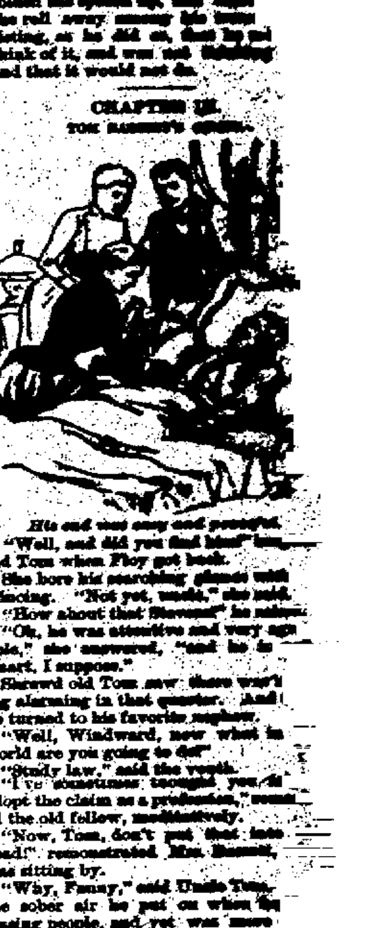
And suddenly, as he bowed his farewell, a splendid bouquet was tossed from the north gallery and bounded on the platform at his feet. Blushing and confused, he stooped for the prize, while the applause broke out afresh, bowed to the glorious garden whence this nosegay had been detached, and left the stage.

Excited and unhinged by his triumphs, he dodged his friends and sought the quiet and privacy of his room. "I am very glad it's over," he thought to himself, "and I don't see now how I ever got through. What a superb bouquet! I can guess who threw it, but here is the tag. 'With the congratulations and best wishes of Windward's mother and sister.' What delightful people they are anyway? And Miss Florence—but no, no, I must not think of it; I must not, I will not. I have my life to make yet. It won't do, Peter!"

And having thus reached for the third or fourth time this very sensible decision, he chose one dewy pink rosebud from the bouquet, kissed it and laid it gently [illegible] between the leaves of the [illegible] folded the speech up, and put the roll away among his [illegible] sisting, as he did so, that he [illegible] think of it, and was not thinking [illegible] and that it would not do.

CHAPTER III.

TOM BASSETT'S [illegible]



His end was easy and peaceful.

"Well, and did you find him?" [illegible] old Tom when Floy got back.

She bore his searching glance with [illegible] wincing. "Not yet, uncle," she said.

"How about that Stevens?" he asked.

"Oh, he was attentive and very agreeable," she answered, "and he is smart, I suppose."

Shrewd old Tom saw there wasn't anything alarming in that quarter. And he turned to his favorite nephew.

"Well, Windward, now what in the world are you going to do?"

"Study law," said the youth.

"I've sometimes thought you'd adopt the claim as a profession," [illegible] ed the old fellow, [illegible]

"Now, Tom, don't put that into his head!" remonstrated Mrs. Bassett, who was sitting by.

"Why, Fanny," said Uncle Tom, the sober air he put on when teasing people, and [illegible] half in earnest after all, "it's our [illegible] Don't disparage our ruin. In this country ruins are scarce. They're 'infant industry,' and need protection, not attack. Why, just see how much congress preserves them!"

"It will be our 'ruin,'" said Mrs. Bassett, "if we keep at it."

"Oh, mother!" shouted Windward, "Say, Florence, mother has made a [illegible] on the claim!"

Uncle Tom smiled at this by-play [illegible] went on, rather grimly:

"Foreigners say we have no ruins, I could show them some about Washington."

"Yes, it's a dreadful place," [illegible] Mrs. Bassett; "I hope Windward never go near it."

"Except as a justice, mother, or as a justice," exclaimed the youngster.

"Mighty little 'justice' there!" [illegible] ed Mrs. Bassett.

"Washington," said old Tom, with calm confidence of a real estate agent in his tone, "is rapidly becoming one of the most beautiful cities in the country, and I wish I was there, if it is summer."

"Peter Stevens is going there, uncle, for the summer," said Windward. "His member of congress got him a [illegible] so that he could lay up a little money to start on in the autumn, when our term begins."

Old Tom's blue eyes rested on Windward with a curious expression.

"Your friend is going to Washington temporarily," he said. Then the old gentleman fretted a moment in his arm chair and began on an anecdote. "I remember," he remarked, "when I was in Washington, in 1833, that a young [illegible] named McArdle came to the city—temporarily. Well," but just here one of the young gentlemen who [illegible] around Miss Florence came up the path to the family group, and the conversation became general.

"I'll tell you about McArdle some other time," said Uncle Tom to Windward quietly. "It's a long story, and a pretty good one. If you ever do go to Washington you must be sure and [illegible] him up."

As Windward had said, Stevens spent the summer months in Washington. And when the autumn came young Mr. Bassett learned to his sorrow that his friend had decided to stay on through the year, as he could hold his place, which gave him a good salary, and study law in one of the local colleges in his abundant leisure. Windward's first impulse was to go where he could be with his friend, but Mrs. Bassett would not hear of it, and, moreover, to Windward's surprise, Uncle Tom added his veto to the suggestion. So friends were parted.

With the following two years these chronicles have little to do. Windward pursued his law studies quietly and well, with but one notable interruption. One day that inevitable guest, Death, came up the path to the family group and laid his hand of consecration and blessing kindly and gently, on the white head of old Tom Bassett.

His end was easy and peaceful. Windward fortunately reached his bedside in time to receive his final and wise dying messages. "You are going to see the twentieth century, Windward," he said. "I wish I might, and I hope I shall, for we read that the gift of God is eternal life. But, candidly, I had about as lief be a citizen of the United States for fifty years longer as an angel. But I have no quarrel with death. He has been very patient, [illegible] I have thought it was the claim. I've noticed in others that a claim, like the asthma, often prolongs life." He [illegible] in this cheerful, playful tone [illegible] without mocking, however, or frivolity, and at times he grew very earnest, as when he turned to Windward after long silence and said: "Believe in your country, its justice, its generosity, its [illegible] value. Above all the pettiness of the scramble for life rises the grand ideal of self government, like the white dome of the capitol above the shanties at its base. If the times look sordid, and great [illegible] small, think of the noble services, the splendid sacrifices of these same men in the heroic times. They would do the same again. But I wish people would live for their country as willingly as they die for it."

As the end grew nearer he wandered at times, and in his delirium seemed to be revisiting the favorite haunts of his younger manhood. "He is talking about Rufus Choate," whispered Mrs. Bassett to her children; "they were great friends. He can't last long now, children."

"Poor uncle!" exclaimed Florence, bursting into tears.

"I don't know about that," said Windward stoutly, though his eyes were filling too.

Just on the horizon the sun burst through the clouds. He recognized them, blessed and blessed them. Then, after a struggle for breath, he said in his familiar, kind tones: "The bill entitled a bill for the relief of old Tom Bassett has been read a third time, and is now put upon its final passage."

Some inarticulate murmurs followed, and then he passed the hand of silence and [illegible]

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Smethport, Pa., March 6, 1891.

A. BOYD CUMMINGS, a man well known in Pennsylvania, died at his home in Philadelphia on Sunday last aged [illegible] years. Mr. Cummings was born at Williamsport and resided there until a few years ago.

[illegible] O'CONNELL, a staunch Republican from Tioga County, who has had a position in the State Arsenal at Harrisburg for a few years past was summarily kicked out of office the other day by the new Democratic administration. Evidently Tioga republicanism is not in good odor with Pattison democracy.

The Emporium Press says that the [illegible] Valley Railroad Co. which was recently chartered to build a road from Emporium into this county a distance of ten miles, "is not only a certainty but we are glad to know that it means more than a ten mile lumber road." It would not surprise us if that road eventually reached Clermont or Hamlin Station on the W. N. Y. & P. road.

The late Secretary Windom kept away from the capital when he was not in public life. Said he just before he took his place in President Harrison's cabinet: "I have never been back to the Senate chamber since my term expired. I used to see so many ex-senators hanging around the chamber after small lobbying jobs that I resolved never to be found in their company. A man of honor can never afford to run suspicious risks."

A writer to the *Gazette and Bulletin* from Coudersport says: "As we approach the time of the year when candidates for the different offices are being talked about or their merits discussed, we find that there is hardly a township or borough in Potter county that is not pressing the name of John Ormerod, Esq., for President Judge to succeed Hon. A. G. Olmsted, who will undoubtedly retire at the end of his term." As Judge Olmsted's term does not expire for a couple years to come, it looks at this distance as though Mr. Ormerod's friends were somewhat premature in their movements.

THE POOR FUND.

The Auditors' Report shows a deficiency in the Poor Fund of the county of $10,962.41 which has caused considerable talk since its publication. There was a deficiency of something over $2,000.00 a year ago, and the Commissioners very properly levied a 3 mill tax in order to wipe out that deficiency, the levy for 1888 and 1889 being only one mill. The Auditors' Report shows in the hands of collectors on the first of January of this year $[illegible]. There was as much more due on the unseated lands of the county. In fact the resources of the county when collected will not fall much short of the deficiency, but the trouble is that but few of the tax collectors' seated lands will probably be paid this year and many of the collectors are very slow in settling up their duplicates. What course the Commissioners will pursue to liquidate the deficiency has not yet been determined upon, but that it will be met in a manner satisfactory to the tax payers of the county no one will question who is acquainted with the business qualifications of the present board of Commissioners.

In this connection we desire to call attention to some matters relating to the support of the poor of this county. The poor buildings erected by the county a few years ago are models for comfort and convenience, and have been frequently referred to by the State Board of Charities as such. There is no more comfortable home for poor people anywhere and none where they are better fed, clothed and cared for in case of sickness. The entire cost of running the poor house and farm, including the Superintendent's and physician's salary, the pay of help, groceries and medicines, last year, was less than $5,000. In looking over the Auditor's Report we discover that there was expended for outside relief the past year the sum of $5,703.47. In other words it cost over seven hundred dollars more to support people who will not come to the home provided for them at great expense, because in some cases they "will not go to a poor house." They will live in squalor and rags at "home," but their pride will not permit them to accept the comforts of a home provided at public expense. In other cases the Commissioners are informed by the local physician, who is receiving fat fees for his services, that it would be dangerous to move his patient to the poor house. Consequently the patient is kept at home where the bills for extra nurses, physicians and medicines are piled up against the county.

It is a burning shame that this state of things has continued so long. If there is a person in this county who is being supported at home from the county funds because they will not live in the excellent home provided for them on the county property, they should be made to shift for themselves. Superintendent King is very sanguine in the belief that there is not a sick person in the county who is being supported from the poor fund who could not be moved to the poor house with entire safety. There may be isolated cases where it would not be economy to move a family to the poor farm, like one in Annin township now being supported by the county, but these cases are rare. The outside relief fund should not reach 50 per cent of what it has been in the past and we are glad to know that the Commissioners are determined to cut down that expense as much as possible.

DEAD.

The Burdick bill, or in fact any legislation for the relief of the producers of Pennsylvania against the extortions of the Standard Oil Co., is dead for this session. That means that for two years to come the Standard can charge 20 cents per bbl. for pipeage, without any fear of legislative interference, while the men who are producing the oil claim that there is a big profit in it at 12 cents. This may or may not be true, but one fact is patent to any man living in the oil producing sections of the Commonwealth at this time, and that is that it is difficult for men who are engaged in producing oil in small well territory to make both ends meet, while the Standard Oil Company is adding to its colossal fortune tens of millions of wealth every year.

But it is not the merits or demerits of the legislation asked for by the producers that we care to discuss at this time. It is the shameless manner in which the two Houses of the Legislature treated the bills asked for by the producers, within the past few days, that we desire to call attention to. Senator McCreary, of Erie, introduced a bill in the Senate similar to that introduced in the House by Mr. Burdick of this county. McCreary's bill was referred to the Judiciary General Committee of the Senate and Burdick's to the Corporation Committee of the House. Both bills were reported with a negative recommendation. A negative report deprives a bill from any place on the calendar of bills to be acted upon, but it is almost universally the case that when a bill of any importance is negatived, particularly when shown that its passage is desired by a reasonable number of reputable citizens, it is placed on the calendar by a majority vote of the body in which it was negatived. In fact in most cases such action is merely formal. If a bill has any merit in it at all it is given a place on the calendar as a matter of courtesy to the Senator or Member having charge of it.

Although the bills which were introduced by Messrs. McCreary and Burdick were asked for by every producer of oil in Pennsylvania who is not under obligations, pecuniary or otherwise, to the Standard Oil Company, yet when motions were made to give them a place on the calendars of the respective houses where they could be intelligently and publicly discussed and where they could have a respectful burial if that was to be their fate, they were voted down by decisive majorities in both houses. And the astonishing part of this proceeding on the part of the Senate is that every Republican voted against the motion, including the man who made it, excepting Senator Packer of this district, and every Democrat but three voted for it. Mr. Packer plead earnestly to postpone the motion for a few days as his constituents had a personal interest in the bill, but even that courtesy was not granted.

The sanctimonious puppy who made the motion to place the bill on the calendar is A. D. Harlan of Chester county. Shortly before the vote was taken he said that since he had offered the resolution and heard the statement of Mr. McCreary who introduced the bill in the Senate he was convinced he had made a mistake, and he would therefore vote against his resolution. This man Harlan is one of the very pious men of the Senate. No man gets his head nearer the floor during the Chaplain's prayers and if there is a bill before that body of a religious or moral character he is very ostentatious and loud mouthed in support of it. On the other hand no man in the Senate can be more certainly relied upon to support corporation bills, particularly if an active lobby is pushing them, and no Senator was more stubborn in his opposition to the Billingsley bill four years ago. His lying assertion that he had changed his mind after introducing the resolution was treated with derision by all who heard it. He was as certain to vote as the Standard people wanted him to as he was to live long enough to cast the vote.

The action of the Republican Senators in this matter will not inure to the benefit of the party in this section of the State if one of them ever becomes a candidate on the State ticket. Common decency would have placed that bill on the calendar and given it a chance for life.

JACKSON S. SHULTZ, the great leather merchant and tanner of New York, died of diabetes at his home on East 17th street, in that city on Monday afternoon last, aged 76 years. Mr. Shultz was well known in this section of Pennsylvania, having built, with his brother Horace, the Wilcox tannery which at one time was the largest tannery in the world. He also built the hemlock extract works at Daguscahonda, Elk Co. He was a man of large influence in New York and very much respected. In 1873 he was appointed by President Grant as the commissioner representing this country at the Vienna International Exposition.

HON. CHARLES MCKIBBIN died at his home in Chambersburg on the morning of Feby. 26th in the 93d year of his age. He was Collector of the Port of Philadelphia under President Buchanan and was afterwards Assistant U. S. Treasurer at that city. He represented the Franklin-Huntingdon district in the State Senate from 1875 to 1877. He was a man of the strictest integrity and was highly respected by all who knew him. When his nomination for Ass't U. S. Treasurer came up for confirmation in the Senate, it is said that Thaddeus Stevens went from his place in the House to advocate him as "a d——d copperhead, but you always know where to find him."

SENATOR GEORGE HEARST of California died at his residence in Washington on Saturday evening of last week. He leaves an immense estate running into the millions of dollars. In fact it was his money that gave him a seat in the United States Senate for he was entirely unfitted for the position, and was the most illiterate man in that body. A Republican will succeed him as the Legislature of California is largely Republican. The deceased was a Democrat.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, March 2.—The greatest interest centered in the Senate and House the past week to learn the fate of the Burdick Oil bills.

The Senate committee led off with a negative report of the McCreary oil pipe measure and which is an exact duplicate of the Burdick bill of the House. An attempt was at once made to place it on the calendar notwithstanding the committee's negative report. Senator Harlan of Chester made the motion. Senator McCreary of Erie who introduced the measure sat in his place, almost hidden behind a big pile of telegraphic messages that he had received and stated that he had been urged into the support of the measure and since his constituents had in large numbers requested him not to support the measure he was opposed to placing the bill on the calendar. The Senate refused to adopt the resolution (after Senator Harlan explained that he too had heard from his people) by a vote of 14 for and 29 against it. Senator Smith, Philadelphia, then jumped on the already defunct bill and explained that he desired to kill it dead, in a parliamentary sense and therefore moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken. This the Senate refused to do by a vote of 15 ayes to 27 nays. Several days previous to this the House Corporations committee had reported the Burdick bill adversely and Mr. Burdick then presented a resolution, that went over under the rules, to place the bill on the calendar. On Friday morning last, Resolution day, Mr. James, Venango county, and who is hostile to the bill, presented a resolution to place the bill on the calendar. This was done it is said to force a vote on the question at this time because Mr. Burdick, who noticed many of his friends absent from the session had concluded to hold the resolution over until this evening's session. This courtesy Mr. James denied to Mr. Burdick and those opposed to him without debating the merits of the bill consumed a greater part of the session in an attempt to convince the friends of the measure that no matter what action the House might take the Senate had said that the bill would not be considered at this session, and it was therefore useless to consume the time of the House in further debate. Mr. Burdick made a telling speech in opposition to immediate action on the resolution and asked that he be permitted to have the resolution carried over until Monday evening next (this evening). He demanded fair play. He called attention to the fact that many of his friends were absent, because they did not expect the resolution to be called up now. And in closing his remarks moved postponement of the James resolution until Monday evening. This was agreed to by a vote of 116 ayes to 62 nays. This evening, therefore, there will be a final action taken. The McKean county Representatives voted to postpone action until to-night and will vote also to-night to place the bill on the calendar.

The new Revenue bill has been reported with a favorable recommendation from the Ways and Means committee. The bill gives satisfaction to no class of people except the farmers. It taxes everything seen and unseen over ground, on the ground and under the ground, except the poor farmer, who is very willing that the "other fellows" shall bear all the burdens of taxation. It will no doubt be modified very materially before it reaches the Governor's table for final review.

The Road Commission's new road law is another of the proposed enactments for the betterment of the public roads of the State. It has been favorably commented on by the committee having it in charge. Petitions are received daily by members in both Houses, protesting in large numbers against its enactment into a law. The fate of this bill like the Revenue is doubtful and if it passes it will be in a form very much changed from the one it [illegible] from the commission.

The Knights of Labor proposition to hold employers liable for all injuries received by persons in their employ was the subject of a joint open session of the Judiciary General committees of the Senate and House in the hall of the House last week. The bill was opposed by representative men of note in Pennsylvania who employ large numbers of men and represented such works as the Cambria Iron Co., Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Steel Works, Baldwin Locomotive Works, Pottstown Iron Works, Thomas Iron Works of Bethlehem and Phoenixville Iron and Steel Co. and many others, while the badly used laborer or workingman was represented by State Senator Rhines and ex-Representative Caffrey, and Mr. Butler, of the K. of L. Legislative Committee, in attendance at the present session to spot all members who refuse to support the K. of L. measures that have been presented. It was very funny to note the make up of the audience that were listeners to the arguments made. It was largely made up of friends of the men who applauded the communistic or nihilistic statements uttered by the speakers advocating the bill while the remarks of the eloquent opponents to the measure were greeted with suppressed mutterings or dead silence.

Representative Burdick has commenced operations on his Judicial Apportionment bill which has been reported favorably and recommitted to the Judiciary General Committee. He says he shall make an earnest effort to have McKean county placed in a Judicial District by itself, because the county is entitled to it by reason of population as well as importance.

The House has determined to get down to work at once and the committee on rules have provided for two daily sessions from 10 to 1 and from 3 to 5 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning to-morrow.

The granger element in the Legislature is beginning to think of the ploughing and sowing season and the recent warm weather, I fancy, has made him wish himself at home attending to farming instead of state craft.

Final adjournment will come possibly about May 25th. Speculation on this point is frequently indulged in. The above date is the most remote one, some guessing as early as April 30th.

All is not as serenely happy and contented as could be wished for in some portions of the National Guard. There is much fault found with Governor Pattison, with some of his selections on his personal staff, because the persons favored with the executive smiles are entirely unfit, from a military point of view, for the positions to which they have been assigned. Granger Demming's appointment is hung up in the Senate, as has before been reported, and now there are rumors that Col. Ross Hartshorne has refused to serve in the position assigned him on the Governor's staff, because he does not fancy making an exhibition of himself in company with men who do not know right from left face.

Changes in the several departments under Democratic control are being made gradually but surely, and the frequenter of the several offices on the Hill now sees many strange faces in places occupied for four years by persons whose faces had become familiar, but this is politics, you know, and it always will be so as long as differing parties exist.

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AUDITORS' REPORT

—OF THE—

Finances of McKean County,

TOGETHER WITH THE

COMMISSIONERS' STATEMENT

FOR 1890.

L. Rogers, Treasurer of McKean County in account with the State, County, and Dog Funds of said county for the year 1890.

COUNTY FUND.

Dr.		
To am't due fund last auditors' report	$22,777 32	
To am't charged treasurer by county commissioners	993 15	
To am't seated county tax collected acc't 1887, 8, 9, 90	26,273 43	
To am't unseated county tax collected acc't 1888, 89, 90	11,543 62	
To state tax collected acc't 1887, 88, 89 and 90	2673 74	
To am't jury fees received from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	180 00	
To am't fines received from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	300 00	
To am't commonwealth costs rec'd from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	1116 59	
To am't transferred from dog fund	300 00	
To am't rec'd acc't licenses granted	2482 87	$68,820 15
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By county school sup't's institute expenses	300 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 1 per cent	171 80	
Balance due fund	21,156 20	68,820 15

DOG FUND.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	1167 68	
To am't dog taxes collected acc't 1887, 8, 9 and 90	1723 53	2891 21
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	2087 53	
By am't transferred to county fund	300 00	
By commission on $1723 53 at 3 per cent	51 71	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	2891 21

REDEMPTION FUND.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	2298 51	
To am't received for redemption	423 88	2722 39
Cr.		
By commission on $423 88 at 3 per cent	13 02	
Balance due fund	2709 37	2722 39

We the Auditors of McKean County, having examined the accounts and vouchers of L. Rogers, Treasurer of said county, in account with the foregoing funds for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, this 21st day of February, 1891.

H. C. WELLS,
J. O. LIDDELL,
A. N. HEARD, } Auditors.

L. Rogers, Treasurer of McKean county in account with the funds of the McKean County Poor District for the year 1890.

POOR FUND.

Dr.		
To seated taxes collected acc't 1888, 89, and 90	4640 74	
To unseated taxes collected acc't 1888, 89 and 90	2345 34	
To sundry items from poor farm	314 35	
To amount overpaid	10,962 44	18,271 11
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	17,470 45	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	209 66	17,671 1[illegible]

POOR BUILDING FUND.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	12,538 82	
To am't seated taxes collected acc't 1887, 8, 9 and 90	2742 84	
To am't unseated taxes collected acc't 1888, 89 and 90	3136 99	
To am't rec'd from L. Bayer in full on contract	2262 00	
To am't rec'd from miscellaneous	66 73	21,140 40
Cr.		
By bonds paid and cancelled	8000 00	
By interest on poor bonds	2175 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	273 65	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	21,140 41

We the Auditors of McKean county having examined the accounts and vouchers of L. Rogers, Treasurer of said county, in account with the funds of the McKean County Poor District for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, this 21st day of February, 1891.

H. C. WELLS,
A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL, } Auditors.

L. Rogers, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the Road, Special Road and Road Bond funds of said county, for the year 1890.

Annin Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	127 84	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	119 97	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	67 19	447 92
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	340 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Bradford Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	120 00	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	70 56	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	166 37	408 50
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	180 24	408 50

Ceres Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	39 70	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	25 43	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	21 19	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	78 47	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	49 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	3 43	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Corydon Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	548 14	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	514 34	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	331 50	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	2790 59
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	2250 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	68 00	
Balance due fund	381 59	2790 59

Eldred Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	176 69	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	41 39	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	91 60	329 65
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	226 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	6 49	
Balance due fund	96 27	329 65

Foster Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	325 62	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	168 21	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	250 55	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	150 30	737 01
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	530 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	17 57	
Balance due fund	189 04	737 01

Hamilton Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	331 10	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	481 25	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	235 36	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	188 25	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	209 23	[illegible]

Hamlin Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	287 67	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	303 04	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	390 00	[illegible]

Keating Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	65 64	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	73 20	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	1258 03	[illegible]

Lafayette Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	1537 05	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	145 15	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	103 73	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $1651 75 at 3 per cent	49 55	
Balance due fund	971 21	[illegible]

Liberty Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	212 37	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	207 71	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	410 18	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	947 83
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	600 00	
By commission on $735 61 at 3 per cent	22 07	
Balance due fund	325 81	947 83

Norwich Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	257 65	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	850 05	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	797 36	2243 41
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	900 00	
By commission on $1935 06 at 3 per cent	58 05	
Balance due fund	1290 36	2248 41

Otto Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	142 17	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	6 90	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	31 55	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	144 78	327 70
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	142 17	
By commission on $183 53 at 3 per cent	5 57	
Balance due fund	179 96	327 70

Sergeant Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	1379 22	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	132 69	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	262 79	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	458 71	2234 41
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1379 22	
By commission on $855 19 at 3 per cent	25 66	
Balance due fund	929 53	2234 41

Wetmore Township—Road.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	118 49	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	858 60	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	150 96	1827 98
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	900 00	
By commission on $1709 49 at 3 per cent	51 28	
Balance due fund	876 70	1827 98

Annin Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditor's report	67 72	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	89 18	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	35 30	192 20
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	125 00	
By commission on $124 34 at 3 per cent	3 74	
Balance due fund	63 52	192 20

Ceres Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditor's report	58 61	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	11 22	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	33 09	102 95
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	58 64	
By commission on $44 31 at 3 per cent	1 33	
Balance due fund, paid Feb. 14, '91	42 98	102 95

Corydon Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditor's report	794 26	
To unseated taxes collected account 1889	941 90	1736 16
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1344 26	
By commission on $941 90 at 3 per cent	28 26	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	1736 16

Eldred Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	8 32	8 32
Cr.		
By commission on $8 32 at 3 per cent	25	
Balance due fund	8 07	8 32

Foster Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	69 62	
To unseated taxes collected account 1889	94 94	164 56
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	100 00	
By commission on $94 94 at 3 per cent	2 85	
Balance due fund	61 71	164 56

Hamilton Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	55 80	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	[illegible]	261 77
Cr.		
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	6 18	
Balance due fund	255 59	261 77

Hamlin Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	26 31	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	250 82	277 13
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	26 31	
By commission on $250 82 at 3 per cent	7 52	
Balance due fund	243 30	277 13

Keating Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	7 42	
To unseated taxes collected account 1889	973 75	981 17
Cr.		
By commission on $981 17 at 3 per cent	29 44	
Balance due fund	951 73	981 17

Otto Township—Special Road.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	4 25	
To unseated taxes collected account 1889	7 44	11 69
Cr.		
By commission on $7 44 at 3 per cent	22	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	11 69

Annin Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	56 50	56 50
Cr.		
By commission on $56 50 at 3 per cent	1 70	
Balance due fund	54 80	56 50

Ceres Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	39 27	39 27
Cr.		
By commission on $39 27 at 3 per cent	1 18	
Balance due fund	38 09	39 27

Eldred Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	27 49	27 49
Cr.		
By commission on $27 49 at 3 per cent	82	
Balance due fund	26 67	27 49

Hamilton Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	345 28	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	317 74	663 02
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	600 00	
By commission on $317 74 at 3 per cent	9 53	
Balance due fund	53 49	663 02

Hamlin Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	127 94	127 94
Cr.		
By commission on $127 94 at 3 per cent	3 84	
Balance due fund	124 10	127 94

Keating Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	72 00	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	20 66	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	139 10
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	72 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	1 72	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Lafayette Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	370 47	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	307 36	677 73
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	403 00	
By commission on $307 36 at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	677 73

Norwich Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	493 09	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1888	255 63	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	[illegible]	807 53
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $414 50 at 3 per cent	12 44	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	807 53

Otto Township—Road Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	53 45	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	11 67	65 12
Cr.		
By commission on $11 67 at 3 per cent	35	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	65 12

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Witness our hands and seals this 21st day of February, 1891.

H. C. WELLS,
A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL, } Auditors.

L. Rogers treasurer of McKean county, in account with the School, School Building and School Bond funds for the year 1890.

Annin Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	4 05	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	141 24	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	199 03	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	91 65	435 97
Cr.		
By order paid and cancelled	300 00	
By commission on $432 02 at 3 per cent	12 96	
Balance due fund	124 01	436 97

Bradford Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	1378 77	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	105 83	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	214 40	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1329 77	
By commission on $536 52 at 3 per cent	16 10	
Balance due fund	520 42	[illegible]

Ceres Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	147 97	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	37 44	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	45 03	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	66 73	297 20
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	147 97	
By commission on $149 23 at 3 per cent	4 48	
Balance due fund	144 75	297 20

Corydon Township—S and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	1488 21	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	1473 38	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	1412 86	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	[illegible]	4607 85
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	3888 21	
By commission on $3177 64 at 3 per cent	95 33	
Balance due fund	684 25	4667 85

Eldred Township—S and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	313 98	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	62 05	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	161 66	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	163 11	740 80
Cr.		
By commission on $426 82 at 3 per cent	12 80	
Balance due fund	728 00	740 80

Foster Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	339 31	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	506 37	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	464 91	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	[illegible]	1570 93
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	838 31	
By commission on $1241 62 at 3 per cent	37 25	
Balance due fund	704 37	1579 93

Hamlin Township—S and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	309 39	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	989 13	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	1311 51	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	306 04	2915 07
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1808 39	
By commission on $2636 68 at 3 per cent	79 10	
Balance due fund	1057 58	2945 07

Hamilton Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	630 81	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	576 21	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	444 83	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	150 60	1811 45
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1000 00	
By commission on $1171 64 at 3 per cent	35 15	
Balance due fund	776 30	1811 45

Keating Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	2391 16	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	71 79	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	83 34	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	1882 72	4429 70
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	3580 00	
By commission on $2047 63 at 3 per cent	61 41	
Balance due fund	777 30	4428 70

Keating Township—School Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	2037 67	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	22 93	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	34 35	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	630 45	2725 60
Cr.		
By commission on $687 93 at 3 per cent	20 64	
Balance due fund	2704 96	2725 60

Lafayette Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	3022 40	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	232 31	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	231 62	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	2459 09	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	3402 40	
By commission on $2972 42 at 3 per cent	89 17	
Balance due fund	2503 25	[illegible]

Liberty Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	314 96	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	214 16	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	201 31	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	67 72	798 15
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	514 96	
By commission on $483 19 at 3 per cent	14 50	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	798 15

Norwich Township—S and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	1350 11	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	143 93	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	850 05	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	2080 11	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	850 87	[illegible]

Otto Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	309 23	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	44 45	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	43 90	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	731 25
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	360 23	
By commission on $370 97 at 3 per cent	11 13	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	731 25

Sergeant Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	[illegible]	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Smethport Borough—S and B.

Dr.		
To am't due last auditors' report	121 99	
To unseated taxes collected account 1889	11 89	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	14 90	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	111 72	260 50
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	140 11	
By commission on $138 51 at 3 per cent	4 16	
Balance due fund	113 23	260 50

Smethport Borough—School Bond.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	35 74	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	2 97	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	4 35	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	31 01	74 14
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	41 57	
By commission on $38 33 at 3 per cent	1 15	
Balance due fund	31 42	74 14

Wetmore Township—S. and B.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	694 10	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1889	1119 81	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1890	1085 48	
To unseated taxes collected, account 1891	181 18	[illegible]
Cr.		
By orders paid and cancelled	1000 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 3 per cent	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	1940 79	[illegible]

Eldred Borough.

Dr.		
To amount taxes collected, account 1889	1 35	1 35
Cr.		
By commission on $1 35 at 3 per cent	04	
Balance due fund	1 31	1 35

Port Allegany Borough.

Dr.		
To amount due last auditors' report	4 13	4 13
Cr.		
Balance due fund	4 13	4 13

RECAPITULATION.

To bal. due county fund	21,156 20	
" " " dog fund	391 15	
" " " redemption fund	2,719 27	
" " " poor b'd'g fund	[illegible]	
" " " Annin road	[illegible]	
" " " Bradford road	180 24	
" " " Ceres road	119 88	
" " " Corydon road	381 59	
" " " Eldred road	96 27	
" " " Foster road	189 04	
" " " Hamilton road	209 23	
" " " Hamlin road	390 00	
" " " Keating road	1,258 03	
" " " Lafayette road	971 21	
" " " Liberty road	325 81	
" " " Norwich road	1,290 30	
" " " Otto road	179 95	
" " " Sergeant road	930 53	
" " " Wetmore road	876 70	
" " " Annin special road	63 52	
To balance due Ceres special road	42 98	
To balance due Eldred special road	8 07	
To balance due Foster special road	61 71	
To balance due Hamilton special road	255 59	
To balance due Hamlin special road	243 30	
To balance due Keating special road	951 73	
To balance due Otto special road	10 76	
To balance due Annin road bond	54 80	
To balance due Ceres road bond	38 00	
To balance due Eldred road bond	26 67	
To balance due Hamilton road bond	53 49	
To balance due Hamlin road bond	124 10	
To balance due Keating road bond	55 48	
To balance due Lafayette road bond	208 59	
To balance due Norwich road bond	492 00	
To balance due Otto road bond	63 19	
To balance due Annin school and building	124 01	
To balance due Bradford school and building	520 42	
To balance due Ceres school and building	144 75	
To balance due Corydon school and building	684 25	
To balance due Eldred school and building	728 00	
To balance due Foster school and building	704 37	
To balance due Hamlin school and building	1,057 58	
To balance due Hamilton School and building	776 30	
To balance due Keating school and building	777 30	
To balance due Keating school bond	2,704 96	
To balance due Lafayette school and building	2,503 25	
To balance due Liberty school and building	288 00	
To balance due Norwich school and building	850 87	
To balance due Otto school and building	359 84	
To balance due Sergeant school and building	273 28	
To balance due Smethport school bond	31 42	
To balance due Smethport school and building	113 33	
To balance due Wetmore school and building	1,940 79	
To balance due Eldred borough	1 31	
To balance due Port Allegany borough	4 13	
To balance due on account licenses	100 87	58,848 76

We, the auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of L. Rogers, treasurer of said county, in account with the several funds of said county, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport this 23d day of February, 1891.

A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL,
H. C. WELLS, } Auditors.

W. B. Clarke, Sheriff of McKean county, in account with said county for the year 1890:

Cr.		
By balance due last auditors report	1,080 69	
By publishing election proclamation	2 00	
By commissions on $300 00 at 3 per cent	9 00	
By boarding prisoners 824 weeks, 4 days at $3.75	[illegible]	
By taking prisoners to Western Penitentiary and Asylum	474 41	
By drawing and summoning jurors for 1890	492 80	
By fines paid treasurer	300 00	
By jury fees paid treasurer	180 00	
By commonwealth costs paid treasurer	1,116 59	7,537 63
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	[illegible]	
To fines collected	300 00	
To jury fees collected	180 00	
To commonwealth costs collected	1,116 59	
Balance due W. B. Clarke	120 55	7,537 63

We, the auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. B. Clark, sheriff of McKean county, in account with said county for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport this 23d day of February, 1891.

H. C. WELLS,
J. O. LIDDELL,
A. N. HEARD, } Auditors.

S. D. Heffner, Coroner of McKean county, in account with said county for the year 1890:

Cr.		
By services and expenses of holding inquisitions on the following named persons:		
W. H. McHenry and Alex. Carmon	19 50	
Patrick Cusick	7 12	
Wm Trauber	20 67	
John E. Johnson	7 12	
John Branagan	19 13	
Unknown child	14 12	97 66
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	97 66	97 66

We, the auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of S. D. Heffner, coroner of said county, in account with said county for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport this 23d day of February, 1891.

A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL,
H. C. WELLS, } Auditors.

James Anglun, P. M. Fuller and Jas. A. McKean, Commissioners of McKean county, in account with said county for the year 1890:

James Anglun.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	19 00	
By 209 days' services as commissioner, for year 1890, at $3.00	627 00	
By 3 days' services as commissioner, for year 1891, at $3.00	9 00	655 00
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	609 00	
Balance due James Anglun	46 00	655 00

P. M. Fuller.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	17 70	
By [illegible] days' services as commissioner, for year 1890, at $3.00	[illegible]	
By 3 days' services as commissioner, for year 1891, at $3.00	9 00	[illegible]
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	[illegible]	
Balance due P. M. Fuller	[illegible]	[illegible]

Jas. A. McKean.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
By [illegible] days' services as commissioner at $3.00	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	[illegible]	
Balance due Jas. A. McKean	[illegible]	[illegible]

We, the auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of James Anglun, P. M. Fuller and Jas. A. McKean, commissioners of the county of McKean, in account with McKean county for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport this 23d day of February, 1891.

A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL, } Auditors.

James Anglun, P. M. Fuller and Jas. A. McKean, Commissioners of McKean county, in account with the McKean County Poor District for the year 1890:

James Anglun.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	19 60	
By [illegible] days' services as commissioner, for 1890, at $2.00	[illegible]	328 60
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	314 00	
Balance due James Anglun	14 60	328 60

P. M. Fuller.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	75 70	
By 105 days' services as commissioner, for 1890, at $2.00	215 00	290 70
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	245 00	
Balance due P. M. Fuller.	45 70	290 70

Jas. A. McKean.

Cr.		
By amount due last auditors' report	50 00	
By 180 days' services as commissioner at $2.00	360 00	410 00
Dr.		
To orders drawn on account	350 00	
Balance due Jas. A. McKean	60 00	410 00

We, the auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of James Anglun, P. M. Fuller and Jas. A. McKean, commissioners of McKean county, in account with McKean County Poor District, for the year 1890, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport this 23d day of February, 1891.

A. N. HEARD,
J. O. LIDDELL, } Auditors.

COMMISSIONERS' STATEMENT

Showing Receipts and Expenditures of McKean County for the Year Ending December 31st. 1890.

RECEIPTS.

To amount due county fund last auditors' report	$22,777 33	
To amount charged treasurer by county commissioners	993 15	
To amount seated county tax collected account 1887, '88, '89, '90	26,273 43	
To amount unseated county tax collected account 1888, '89, '90	11,543 62	
To amount state tax collected account 1887, '88, '89, '90	2,673 74	
To amount of jury fees received from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	180 00	
To amount of fines received from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	300 00	
To amount commonwealth costs received from W. B. Clarke, sheriff	1,116 59	
To amount transferred from dog fund	300 00	
To amount received account licenses granted	2,482 87	$68,620 15

EXPENDITURES.

Paid county school superintendent institute expense	300 00
Paid county treasurer commissions	1,391 39
Paid Western State Penitentiary	2,283 44
Paid R. H. Rose, commissioners' counsel	300 00
Paid Pennsylvania Reform School	1,245 27
Paid taxes refunded	86 33
Paid indigent soldier expense	170 00
Paid examining state boundaries	45 00
Paid Smethport Gas Co.	1,140 00
Paid miscellaneous	936 26
Paid coroners' and justice inquests	109 17
Paid jury commissioners and clerk	172 78
Paid Smethport Water Co.	150 00
Paid books and stationery	441 12
Paid election expense	2,151 01
Paid constable returns	232 76
Paid grand jurors	841 18
Paid assessors on assessments	2,086 70
Paid commonwealth costs	4,298 76
Paid James Anglun on acc't	609 00
Paid P M Fuller on account	680 00
Paid Jas A McKean on ac't	693 30
Paid commissioners' clerk and assistants	1,346 00
Paid W B Clark, sheriff, on account	[illegible]
Paid court crier and tipstaves	668 22
Paid jail expense	791 81
Paid county auditors	272 24
Paid court house janitor	400 00
Paid court house expense	982 25
Paid justice fees and discharged transcripts	189 15
Paid printing and publishing	2,054 75
Paid express, telegrams and postage	101 93
Paid road views and damages	807 79
Paid court stenographers	801 56
Paid traverse jurors	4,520 81
Paid bridge views and expense	1,596 86
Paid state taxes on account	5,170 40
Paid military enrollment expense	183 25
Paid assessors on registry	1,155 00
	$47,463 95
Balance in treasury	21,156 20
	$68,620 15

Statement showing assets and liabilities of McKean county for the year ending January 31, 1891.

ASSETS.

	State.	County.
Am't due from B. L. Knapp, col. Smethport boro, 1886	$ 69	$ 4 78
Am't due from M. M. Bowen, col. Foster township, 1887	16	38 70
Am't due from Chas. Paulson, col. Hamlin twp. 1887	86	60
Am't due from Jno Calhoun, col. Kendall boro, 1887	4 89	11 96
Am't due from Otto Gesh, col. Bradford city, 2d ward, 1888	44 86	126 06
Am't due from Otto Gesh, col. Bradford city 4th w. 1888	66 52	95 36
Am't due from C C Amalong, col. Duke Centre boro, 1888	66 23	30 06
Am't due from T T Mapes, col. Kendall boro, 1888	27 62	146 36
Am't due from L J Phenix, col. Annin township, 1889	16 60	36 80
Am't due from J L Morris, col. Bradford twp. 1889		126 30
Am't due from Thos Osborne, col. Bradford, 1st ward 1889	89 17	462 22
Am't due from T C Flanigan, col. Bradford, 2d ward, 1889	152 87	185 40
Am't due from Otto Gesh, col. Bradford, 3d ward, 1889	41 45	357 78
Am't due from Otto Gesh, col. Bradford, 4th ward, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from N J Stanton, col. Bradford 5th w. 1889	38 56	442 86
Am't due from H B Roberts, col. Ceres twp. 1889	21 34	273 97
Am't due from H G Heath, col. Eldred boro, 1889	11 66	38 46
Am't due from E W Bissett, col. Foster twp., 1889	32 38	464 13
Am't due from D E Matthews, col. Kane boro, 1889	32 58	187 36
Am't due from M N Heinlein, col. Keating twp., 1889	35 10	187 36
Am't due from E E Sherman, col. Kendall boro, 1889	44 20	[illegible]
Am't due from Z Wilson, col. Otto twp. 1889	32 79	140 74
Am't due from M. J. Fleming, col Port Allegany boro, 1889	47 00	8 63
Am't due from Jno O Sonberg, col. Sergeant twp. 1889	9 13	87 67
Am't due from L J Phenix, col. Annin twp. 1890	46 36	517 00
Am't due from J. L. Morris, col. Bradford twp. 1890	24 23	307 67
Am't due from Thos. Osborne, col. Bradford, 1st w., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from T C Flanigan, col. Bradford, 2d w., 1890	378 15	1700 18
Am't due from E W Murray, col. Bradford, 3d w., 1890	140 36	[illegible]
Am't due from E W Murray, col. Bradford, 4th w., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from N J Stanton, col. Bradford, 5th w., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from G W Hackett, col. Ceres township, 1890	32 97	[illegible]
Am't due from H Schoby, col. Corydon township, 1890	6 51	[illegible]
Am't due from H G Heath, col. Eldred boro., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from P. M. MacDonald, col. Eldred twp. 1890	66 37	[illegible]
Am't due from T F Hungiville, col. Foster twp., 1890	66 67	[illegible]
Am't due from G H Sparks, col. Hamlin twp. 1890	[illegible]	194 26
Am't due from J K Bates, col. Hamilton twp., 1890	[illegible]	344 60
Am't due from C V Gillis, col. Kane boro., 1890	19 97	488 74
Am't due from Thos Hussey, col. Keating twp., 1890	64 64	115 27
Am't due from W W Penhollow, col. Kendall boro., 1890	66 64	[illegible]
Am't due from L E Woodward, col. Lafayette twp., 1890	7 81	87 30
Am't due from Jas Acre, col. Liberty twp., 1890	[illegible]	251 81
Am't due from O D Gallup, col. Norwich twp., 1890	8 71	196 00
Am't due from Z Wilson, col. Otto twp., 1890	56 67	746 66
Am't due from M T Shurtz, col. Port Allegany boro., 1890	[illegible]	189 36
Am't due from Jno O Sonbergh, col. Sergeant twp., 1890	4 75	447 30
Am't due from J A Holder, col. Smethport boro., 1890	3 45	166 36
Am't due from Wm Wilkins, col. Wetmore twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
	$4450 60	$[illegible]
		4450 60
		[illegible] 17
County funds in treasury		21,156 20
		$[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

To W B Clarke, sheriff, bal. of 1890	120 55	
To James Anglun, bal. 1890	46 00	
" P M Fuller do	[illegible]	
" Jas A McKean do	[illegible]	
" Commonwealth costs and sundry items (estimated)	[illegible]	
To State taxes	[illegible]	
To Western penitentiary	[illegible]	
Assets in excess of liabilities	[illegible]	$[illegible]

We, the undersigned, commissioners of McKean county, [illegible] certify that the foregoing statement of receipts and expenditures [illegible] are correct and true.

JAMES [illegible],
[illegible],
J. H. [illegible],
Commissioners.

Attest:
M. B. GREEN,
Clerk.
Smethport, Pa., Feb 21, 1891.

Statement showing Receipts and Expenditures of McKean county Poor District for the year ending January 3, 1891.

RECEIPTS.

To amount due poor building fund last auditors report	[illegible]	
To amount seated poor building tax collected account 1887, '88, 89, '90	[illegible]	
To amount seated poor building tax collected account 1888, '89, '90	[illegible]	
To amount unseated poor building tax collected account 1888, '89, '90	2,345 34	
To amount unseated poor building tax collected account 1888, '89, '90	[illegible]	
To amount received sundry items from poor farm	[illegible]	
To amount received from L. Bayer in full for contract	[illegible]	
To amount received from miscellaneous	66 73	37,[illegible] 67

EXPENDITURES.

Bonds paid and cancelled	[illegible]
Paid interest on poor bonds	2,175 00
Paid county treasurer commissions	[illegible]
Paid books and stationery	[illegible]
Paid fertilizer	[illegible]
Paid seeds	[illegible]
Paid express, telegrams and postage	[illegible]
Paid livery	1 00
Paid telephones	[illegible]
Paid R H Rose commissioners' counsel	[illegible]
Paid commissioners' clerk	[illegible]
Paid Penn's state insane hospital	[illegible]
Paid Warren state hospital for insane	[illegible]
Paid fuel	[illegible]
Paid funeral expenses	[illegible]
Paid lumber	[illegible]
Paid county auditors	[illegible]
Paid labor on poor build'g's	[illegible]
Paid ice house expense	[illegible]
Paid Jas Anglun on acc't	[illegible]
Paid P M Fuller on acc't	[illegible]
Paid Jas A McKean on acc't	[illegible]
Paid furniture	[illegible]
Paid trees for farm	[illegible]
Paid plumbing	[illegible]
Paid justice fees	15 75
Paid taxes refunded	[illegible]
Paid farming implements, &c	[illegible]
Paid C S King, superintendent	[illegible]
Paid blacksmithing	[illegible]
Paid hardware	[illegible]
Paid clothing	[illegible]
Paid provisions and groceries	[illegible]
Paid feed	[illegible]
Paid labor in poor buildings	[illegible]
Paid labor on farm	[illegible]
Paid outside relief, including physicians and medicine	[illegible]
Paid live stock	[illegible]
Printing and publishing	[illegible]
Paid barn expense	[illegible]
	[illegible]

Statement showing Assets and Liabilities of McKean county Poor District, for year ending Jan. 3, 1891.

ASSETS.

	Poor.	P Build'g.
Am't due from E L Knapp, col. Smethport boro. 1886	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from M M Bowen, col. Foster twp. 1887		[illegible]
Am't due from Chas Paulson, col. Hamlin twp. 1887		[illegible]
Am't due from Jno Calhoun, col. Kendall boro, 1887		[illegible]
Am't due from C C Amalong, col. Duke Centre boro, 1888	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from T T Mapes, col. Kendall boro, 1888	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from L J Phenix, col. Annin twp. 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from J L Morris, col. Bradford twp. 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from H B Roberts, col. Ceres township, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from H G Heath, col. Eldred boro, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from E W Bissett, col. Foster twp., 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from D E Mathews, col. Kane boro, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from M W Heinlein, col. Keating twp. 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from E E Sherman, col. Kendall boro, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Z Wilson, col. Otto township, 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from M J Fleming, col. Port Allegany boro '89	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Jno O Sonbergh, col. Sergeant twp., 1889	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from L J Phenix, col. Annin twp. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from J L Morris, col. Bradford twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from G W Hackett, col. Ceres twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from H. Schoby, col. Corydon twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from H G Heath, col. Eldred boro., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from P McDonald, col. Eldred twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from T F Hungiville, col., Foster twp. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from G H Sparks, col. Hamlin twp. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from J K Bates, col. Hamilton twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from C V Gillis, col. Kane boro, 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Thos Hussey, col. Keating twp. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from W W Penhollow, col. Kendall boro. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from L E Woodward, col. Lafayette twp. 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Jas Acre, col. Liberty twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from O D Gallup, col. Norwich twp., 1890	78 65	42 97
Am't due from Z Wilson, col. Otto twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from M T Shurtz, col. Port Allegany boro, 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Jno O Sonbergh, col. Sergeant twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from J A Holder col. Smethport boro., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from Wm Wilkins, col. Wetmore twp., 1890	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am't due from A Longfre on purchase		[illegible]
Poor building fund in treasury		[illegible]
Estimated value of Wilcox property in Sergeant and Foster twps.		[illegible]
Liabilities in excess of Assets		[illegible]
		$[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Poor bonds outstanding	[illegible]	
Interest on poor bonds	[illegible]	
Bal due James Anglun, commissioner	[illegible]	
Bal. due P M. Fuller com'r	[illegible]	
" " Jas A McKean com'r	[illegible]	
Bal. due poor fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Amounts due from collectors are subject to rebate, commissions and exonerations.

We, the undersigned, commissioners of McKean county Poor District, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of receipts and expenditures and assets and liabilities are correct and true.

JAMES BIGGINS,
FRANK D. SIMAR,
J. H. TATE,
Commissioners.

Attest:
M. B. GREEN, Clerk.
Smethport, Pa., Feb 21, 1891.

Legal Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, on Thursday the 19th day of March, A. D. 1891, by E. R. Dalley, M. J. Colcord, C. A. Dalley, A. N. [illegible] and J. C. [illegible], under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the Charter of an intended corporation to be called "The Crystal Spring Water Company," the character and object whereof is for the supply of water to the public at the borough of Port Allegany, and to persons, partnerships and associations residing therein and adjacent thereto as may desire the same, and for these purposes to have possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Acts of the Assembly and its supplements.

M. J. COLCORD,
Solicitor.

February 16, 1891.—4w

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED President Judge of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphans' and court of Common Pleas for the county of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, December 19th, 1890, and to me directed, for holding a court of common pleas, at the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 16th day of March, 1891, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, Feb. 14, 1891, and in the 115th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

WALTER GRUBB, Sheriff.

Notice.

In the Court of Common Pleas, No. 2 for the County of Philadelphia. } Of December Term 1890. No. [illegible].

In the matter of the dissolution of The Clermont and Bradford Railroad Company, a corporation.

Notice is hereby given in McKean county (where the principal operations of the Company were conducted) that on Saturday, the 21st February, 1891, The Clermont and Bradford Railroad Company filed its petition in the Court of Common Pleas No. 2 of Philadelphia County praying for a decree of dissolution.

And that the Court has appointed Saturday April 4th, 1891, at 10 o'clock a. m. to hear the application for dissolution, when and where all parties interested can attend to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petition should not be granted.

A notice similar to this is published in Philadelphia (where the principal office of the Company is located.)

E. HUNN HANSON, Sol. for petitioner.
No. 707 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

$3000 A YEAR! I undertake to briefly teach any fairly intelligent person of either sex, who can read and write, and who, after instruction, will work industriously, how to earn [illegible] E. C. ALLEN, Box 420, Augusta, Maine.

FOR RENT—That large, new, commodious hotel, situated at Clermont, Pa., known as the Bayer House. For terms apply to L. BAYER, Clermont, Pa. 45

McKean County Miner

Smethport, Pa., March 6, 1891.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

CLUBBING RATES.

We will send the MINER and any paper or magazine mentioned below for one year, to any address, as follows:

The MINER and Philadelphia Weekly *Press* $1 50

The MINER and Albany Weekly *Journal* $1 50.

The MINER and Pittsburg *Chronicle* $1 50

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The MINER and Harrisburg Weekly *Patriot* for $1 75

The MINER and New York *World* for $1 50

The MINER and *Cosmopolitan Magazine* for $3 40

The MINER and American *Economist* for $2 00

The MINER and *Demorest Family Magazine* for $3.10

The MINER and *National Tribune*, for $2 00

The MINER and *Home Market Bulletin* for $1 50

The MINER and *Scribner's Magazine* for 3 40

—March winds.

—Good sleighing again.

—Argument court will convene next Tuesday.

—March is giving us some genuine winter weather.

—According to the census returns there are no Indians in this State.

—St. Patrick's Day is the next thing in order—one week from next Tuesday.

—The Commercial Drummer at the opera house Friday and Saturday nights.

—Don't fail to read the new advertisement of Stickney, Bell & Co., in this issue.

—Star Hose Company, of Port Allegany, will give a grand ball on the evening of April 2d.

—Emporium is looking forward to several new industries to be started in the early spring.

—Those contemplating making maple sugar this spring, should make their preparations now.

—Sunday night last was the coldest of the season the thermometer indicating nine degrees below zero.

—Every member of the E. A. U. is requested to be present at the meeting on Wednesday evening next.

—A charter was granted the other day for the R. N. McCoy Glass Company, of Kane, capital stock $125,000.

—Prof. Mills' orchestra will furnish music for the Coudersport Young Men's Social Club, on St. Patrick's Day.

—Two persons were recently baptized in the M. E. church, at Coudersport, and fifty have been received on probation.

—No one ever succeeded in building himself up by trying to pull another one down. Insane froth don't pass for worth and ability.

—A new type-writer is announced that can be held on the knees, but it is not stated whether it is of the blonde or brunette type.

—We hear it stated that active preparations are under way for a grand ball, to be given by the Smethport Band, on Easter Monday.

—An excursion train will be run to Bradford next Tuesday night, affording all who desire an opportunity to attend the "County Fair."

—In consequence of the extreme cold on Monday morning last it was found necessary to dismiss the primary department of the graded school.

—The Port Allegany *Reporter* says, "the Grand Central Hotel in Smethport is one of the best, outside of the large cities, in the State." Right you are.

—An insect which attacks apple trees has made its appearance in Erie county. It is a peculiar white furry bug and different from anything heretofore seen.

—The fire department was called out on Wednesday afternoon by the burning out of a chimney, at the house of Mrs. Wells on Water street. No damage was done.

—The opening chapters of an intensely interesting story of Washington life, "The Bassett Claim," by Henry R. Elliott, will be found on our first page. Everybody should read it.

—The new Borough Council met and organized on Monday night. W. F. Specht was elected Treasurer and N. D. Ramer Street Commissioner. The appointment of High Constable was deferred until the next meeting.

—Every time a new American industry is born, the free trade press sneers and snarls at it. Every time business misfortune overtakes an American manufacturer the same press cackles derisively. Queer sort of patriotism, isn't it?

—The Smethport Extract Company has arranged for the occupancy of the lands on the south side of the B. B. & K. railroad track, opposite Hamlin Park and will use them for the storage and loading of lumber. The work of laying switches has already commenced.

—A charter has been granted for the Wilcox and Rocky Run railroad. This road will be built from Wilcox, to the N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R., near Hutchins, in this county. When this road is completed it will give us a chance to go over and visit Sam Aldrich once in a while.

—The use of the soda fountain will be a novelty in Smethport the coming summer, a magnificent apparatus having been placed in McCoy's drug store. It is of the Tufts' patent, constructed of marble and triple-plate silver and the fountains and all the accessories are beautiful in design and workmanship.

—William Mixer, who is bound to be abreast with the times, has added two new labor-saving machines to his already well equipped wagon shop, viz: a band saw and a trimmer, the latter a very powerful machine and yet one that can easily be operated by a small boy and still do the work of several men by hand.

—We understand that an encounter between two of Smethport's would-be sports took place in a barn not many rods distant from the court house, a few days since. It was to have been a fight to a finish and was finished before it fairly began. Nothing was hurt and honors were easy. Boys you should be in better business.

—The Bangor *Commercial* says: "A young lady in a Newport school compared ill to this manner: 'Nominative, ill, comparative, worse, superlative, dead.' One who was called looked up very much surprised, and the master, with an effort to control the sadness which he felt, rose and said: 'Scholars, you can have fifteen minutes for the funeral.'"

—It is worth remembering that no paper is printed especially for one person no more than a hotel is built especially for one guest. People who become very much displeased with something they find in a newspaper, should remember that the very thing that displeases them is exactly the thing which pleases somebody who has just as much interest in the paper as they have.—*Ex.*

—The veterans of the old 58th regiment, Pa. Vols., will be pained to hear of the death of Theo. F. Ostrander, which occurred in Knoxville, Tenn., on Wednesday, Feb. 18th. Ostrander was a member of Co. F until Jan. 1st, 1865, when he was transferred to Co. H. Since the war he has lived most of the time in Minnesota, latterly at Wadena, that State. He was a man of influence in that section, was a Probate Judge, and has long been a comrade of the G. A. R.

—The Athens *Volunteer* says of the Commercial Drummer which will be presented here on Friday and Saturday nights of this week: "The 'Commercial Drummer' drew a big crowd to the opera house last evening and they did not go away disappointed. The play was put on in excellent shape and commanded the closest attention throughout. The specialties were good, the music catchy and all in all it was a thoroughly good entertainment. The people of this town appreciate a good show."

—The meeting of the W. C. T. U. at their rooms in the Backus building on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, will be one to especially benefit mothers. Mrs. Bissell, wife of the presiding elder of this district will be present to talk to the ladies. Mothers old and young and all who are not mothers, are cordially invited. In the evening at 7.30, Mrs. Bissell will give an instructive talk on "Parental Responsibility," at the M. E. Church. Gentlemen and ladies are all invited. Both meetings will be strictly free.

—Mr. Otho Gash, of the Oil City House, was the "victim" of a surprise Saturday night. The occasion was his 45th birthday, and the surprisers, under the leadership of Mr. D. W. Hastings, very happily reminded him of the fact. They came in good numbers to testify to the respect which they entertained for him and gave him something very appropriate for a rainy day. The present was a beautiful umbrella, suitably inscribed. Mr. Gash was about the most astonished man in the county when the true inwardness of the affair became clear to him. His thanks were feelingly expressed. An elegant lunch was served.—*Era.*

—Easter will this year come at the earliest date it has since 1883. With the exception of 1883 this will be the only coming March Easter in the present century excepting in 1883 when Easter falls on March 25th, within three days of its earliest possible coming. The 22d of March, 1818, was Easter day, and that was the only time it has fallen at that, its earliest date, in this century. Its latest date, April 25th, was reached only once in this century, in 1886, and will not occur again therein. There have been only two Easters in the century falling on March 26th so far—in 1807 and 1812.

—The funeral of Mrs. Viola Hamlin, relict of A. D. Hamlin whose sudden death we briefly mentioned last week, was held on Sunday afternoon last and was largely attended. Rev. W. D. Lukins, of the Baptist church officiated. The remains were interred in Rose Hill Cemetery. Viola O. Chapin was born in Venango county, N. Y., March 13, 1826, and was married to Mr. Hamlin Sept. 4, 1845. She was the mother of eight children, one son and seven daughters, all but two of whom are still living. Mrs. Hamlin had been a resident of this place for upwards of 45 years and was well known and universally esteemed throughout this section. The sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

—Monday last, March 2d, was the centennial anniversary of the death of Rev. John Wesley, the great evangelist of the eighteenth century. In London a magnificent bronze statue of the distinguished divine was formally unveiled with elaborate religious services, and in the presence of several thousand of the people. The anniversary was widely observed, both by Methodists and Church of England people. In our own town, at St. Luke's Church, there was a lecture on Sunday evening on "Wesley's Place in Church History," showing that Wesley's movement was not a separation from the Church of England so long as he lived and controlled it, and that the four Wesleys, father and three sons, all lived and died in the Church as her ministers. The lecturer announced that twenty-five copies of Wesley's "Twelve Reasons Against Separation from the Church of England" were ready for distribution. At the M. E. Church the anniversary was also observed, Rev. F. W. Chandler preaching a sermon appropriate to the occasion, showing Wesley to be the founder of Methodism.

St. Luke's Church.

Services on Sunday next at 10 and 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

The subjects appointed for this fourth Sunday in Lent are "The Vision of God" and "Betting and Gambling."

Services at All Saints Chapel at 2.30 p. m. on Sundays and at 7.30 p. m. on Thursdays.

The health growth of the baby is dependent upon its freedom from the pernicious effects of opium. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup is the best remedy known for the diseases of early babyhood.

—Whiskeys, wines and liquors. N. R. Collins & Co., Bradford, Pa. Largest stock, lowest prices.

Sherman and Porter.

The Committee appointed by McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiment of the Post on the death of the two distinguished commanders who have recently answered the last roll call, submitted the following, at the meeting held Feb. 26th, which were unanimously adopted:

HEADQUARTERS McKEAN POST No. 347,
DEPARTMENT OF PENN'A G. A. R.,
SMETHPORT, February 26, 1891.

WHEREAS, This Post has learned with profound sorrow of the recent decease of two of our most illustrious comrades, Admiral David D. Porter, who died in Washington on the morning of the 13th inst. and General William Tecumseh Sherman, who died at his home in New York early in the afternoon of the 14th of the same.

Resolved, That in the death of these distinguished comrades the world has lost one of its greatest military commanders, and a naval officer whose achievements will render him famous through all time.

Resolved, That to the Grand Army of the Republic the death of these two illustrious comrades brings forcibly to our attention the fact that the Grim Reaper is rapidly decimating our ranks, and that in a few short years the last of the young men who went forth in '61 to do battle for their country will have passed over that bourne from which no traveler returns.

Resolved, That this Post room be draped in mourning for 30 days to the memory of the distinguished dead and that the Adjutant forward a copy of these resolutions to the families of the deceased to whom we tender our sincerest sympathy.

"On fame's eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread,
And glory guards with solemn round
The bivouac of the dead."

R. E. MANN,
L. MOORE,
O. B. WARNER, } Committee.
O. FOSTER,

From the minutes.
H. M. CROATE, Adjutant.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

W. D. Ware was over from Bradford this week.

Thomas Hill, of Mt. Alton, was about town Monday.

F. D. Haley, of Glenn Hazle, was in town Wednesday.

Howard Wilson made Bradford a flying visit this week.

Miss May Cole, of Bradford, visited Smethport Saturday last.

John Crannell, is happy again. It's a boy and weighs 11 pounds.

J. C. Welch and F. McDonald of Eldred were in town Tuesday.

Mrs. S. McSweeney and son, of Bradford, are visiting friends in town.

Herman Sause of Olean, N. Y., spent Sunday with his parents in town.

W. W. [illegible], of Wellsboro, was registered at the Wright House last Saturday.

J. Frank and James George, of Bradford, were about town Tuesday of this week.

J. J. Newton and J. B. Wright, of Rixford, made Smethport a brief visit this week.

S. H. Sanderson, of Warren, revenue collector for this district, was in town Wednesday.

J. L. Kelley, of Bradford, was renewing old acquaintances in Smethport the first of the week.

W. H. Stoner, of Ridgway, and J. H. Goldstone, of Warren, were at the Grand Central Tuesday.

C. A. Dolley one of Port Allegany's prominent business men had business at the county seat Tuesday.

Ed. Sackett and F. L. Boyd of Corry, and C. E. Richards, of Olean, were at the Wright House Tuesday.

Mrs. F. C. Hyde, of Emporium, attended the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Viola Hamlin on Sunday last.

C. C. Lowery, of Holland, N. Y., Traveling Passenger Agent of the Nickel Plate R. R. was about town yesterday.

C. S. Sandford, was one of the Smethport representatives to the Grand Army encampment at Altoona, last week.

Hon. T. A. Morrison was elected as Junior Vice Commander of the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R. at Altoona last week. The Judge wears the honors with becoming grace.

Supt. W. P. Eckels, wife and daughter of Smethport, accompanied by Mr. Eckels' mother, arrived in Kane Monday evening and are the guests of Mrs. J. I. Griffith at East Kane. Mr. Eckels left for a trip to Philadelphia on Tuesday.—*Kane Leader.*

James A. McKean of Smethport, the county seat of McKean county was in Pittsburgh yesterday. Mr. McKean was one of the pioneer lumbermen of that region and by hard work accumulated a comfortable fortune. He is a tall hardy specimen of manhood.—*Times*, March 4.

Hon. S. C. Green retired from his active connection with the Olean *Times* on the 27th of February. Mr. Green is one of the [illegible] journalists and since he has been connected with the *Times* it has attained a leading position among the dailies of Western New York. That the paper will maintain its standing under the management of Ferris & Weber there can be no question.

For children the best remedy for catarrh or influenza is Old Saul's Catarrh Cure.

—"Gold Leaf" Whiskey, distilled by Gold Leaf Distilling Co. N. R. Collins & Co., Owners and Proprietors.

Quaker City Meditations.

Apropos of the recent weddings which but seem the craze, if Crœsus are joined to the [illegible] their circles "there was" [illegible] are [illegible] of [illegible] grace in the contract while bright eyed gentry in tattered rags glance longingly in the [illegible]. It occurs to me that all is not right in this great city. The [illegible] are not responsible for their [illegible] of inherited supremacy which tires not to demonstrate by carrying their canes in a studied fashion, for as Emerson says, "we are not responsible for the influences of our environs." While we would all like to be rich, and in our humble locality do as much charity as possible in a [illegible] way, still we cannot fail to see the profligacy, [illegible] and glaring hypocrisy of metropolitan spirit when we compare it with the misery, squalor and disease existing. But, as a Utopia can not be built on the rotten foundation of a [illegible] system [illegible], there is no use in harping on the subject. Astor-Willing marriages will continue.

Supt. W. P. Eckels of the McKean county schools, ran against me last Saturday in the public buildings. One would have thought he was studying architecture but he informed me he was attending the State Convention of Superintendents in Association Hall. His visitation seemed angelic and the hearty shake of his hand seemed good "to one long in city pent."

A magazine writer has lately given to his readers the theory that a changeable climate is conducive to intellectual development. How does he account for the fickle weather of Philadelphia or the stationary barometer of Boston?

Why waste so much sympathy on entombed miners who exist 18 days without food, when you consider the poor wretches who keep the soul connected with the body for an entire winter without food in Philadelphia boarding houses?

The great, cumberous, nightmare omnibuses which thunder up and down the Broadway of the Quaker City and which go as a substitute for modern rapid transit, carry one back 1800 years to the age of Roman chariots.

If Bob Ingersol in his recent criticism of the "Kreutzer-Sonata," did not demonstrate that he is an ass, as well as the author of the "Sonata," then the earth is flat.

A man who was absorbed in watching a lady cross Market street on a recent rainy day, was knocked down by a cable-car. Woman is ever the cause of man's downfall.

There is one redeeming feature about Philadelphia. She is always on the side of virtue, liberty, Blaine and Reciprocity.

"Etherial mildness" is coming, and the boot-black waxes eloquent.

That correspondent who tried lately to stir up animosities by stating that church matters were getting into Smethport politics, has been trying the same old scheme for the past five years. He displays his old-time skill in sticking to the abortive idea. H. S. E.

Cease your coughing and enjoy refreshing slumber, which Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will insure you.

—Gold Leaf Whiskeys distilled by Gold Leaf Distilling Co. N. R. Collins & Co., Owners and Proprietors.

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending March 5.

Grebeny Thomas	Dermingher Joseph
Curtis, Wells	Clark, W. H. 2
Deneen, Wm. 2	Fitzgerald, John
Mowery, D. H. 2	McGuffin, James 2
Pearson, Tillie	Madigan, Thomas
McLaughlin, Howard	

Persons calling for these letters, please say advertised and give date.

S. M. KENNA, P. M.

Whiskeys.

50c to $2.00 per (full) quart bottles sent securely packed by express. N. R. Collins & Co., Bradford, Pa.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

J. M. McElroy and Walter Grubb were here on Tuesday.

E. P. Cody and G. L. Curtis were in Smethport on Tuesday.

On Saturday a little girl arrived at the home of M. S. and Sarah Hall.

J. L. Andrews and A. R. Baxter are newly elected members of the Oil Exchange.

The Council passed over the veto against the paving of Corydon street by a vote of 8 to 1.

The office staff of the Tubular Steel Car Works occupy rooms in the Hazzard & Heyting block.

Six men found begging on the streets last Sunday were arrested on a charge of vagrancy.

J. G. Olley who is employed by the United Pipe Line at Mt. Jewett, was in the city on Monday.

The foundation for a new Episcopal Church is being laid on the site of the old one which was consumed by fire a year ago.

An up-to-date Edison phonograph has been placed in the [illegible] of the Riddell House. [illegible] a nickel in the slot and listen to charming music both instrumental and vocal.

Mrs. Estelle Friedell died at her home on [illegible] street Saturday afternoon. Funeral services were held on Monday at the church of [illegible] and the remains were taken to [illegible] for interment.

Manager Sam McBride of base ball fame is trying to raise $1,500 for the purpose of securing a nine which will carry off the pennant in the coming season. A number of season tickets have been sold but Bradford does not seem to be as enthusiastic as some of the other towns.

The High School *Journal* has made a good start with Harvey Tuttle as editor. It is a tiny sheet gotten up in true high school style with flowery language, superfluous allusions to the [illegible] poetic effusions. The contributions from the primary grades are wonderfully clever.

The sad intelligence was received last Sunday of the death of Miss Wyckoff, a former teacher in the public schools. A mother and a sister to whom she devoted her life are left to mourn her loss. Many whom she has guided through the paths of knowledge, remember her with reverence and gratitude.

Charles Kennedy son of the late P. T. Kennedy died at Newburg on Monday. He had been attending school at that place and was taken with cerebro spinal meningitis. His mother left this city in answer to a dispatch announcing her son's illness but did not reach his bedside until an hour after all was over. The sympathy of all our citizens is extended to the family so sadly bereaved.

Conductor T. E. Crosson has long been attentive to Miss Flossie Brooks, a pretty maiden of sixteen summers. Last August he asked the maternal consent to their [illegible] [illegible] objected to having her daughter taken from her at so early an age. On Sunday Aug. 3 [illegible] the mother, which [illegible] though no one guessed the fact she never came home until after the knot had been tied at Jamestown. The wedding was not announced until last week when the happy couple informed their friends of their true relation and received congratulations from a host of well wishers.

Officer Rhine received a surprise Monday morning in the shape of a polite request from his honor the mayor to resign. Mr. Ward has as yet disclosed no reason for making a change on the police force but says his act was justifiable and necessary. Mr. Rhine has always been considered a good officer. He has refused to give up his badge and keys and the matter will probably be settled at the council meeting. At the meeting of the council Monday evening it was decided that Mayor Ward had not given sufficient reason for asking the resignation of Officer Rhine. The result remains to be seen.

KANE.

Good sleighing today.

Still coming—the Dagoes.

We have the coldest snap of the season.

The only child of Chas Kerr died last week.

Mercury 6 degrees below zero on Monday morning.

Socially the Dagoes are not welcome in Kane by [illegible].

The electric light at the Kane House is now an almost assured success.

The glass works are at last a fixed fact, contract having been let for clearing the site.

A suspected [illegible] on Fraley street is being closely watched by Chief of Police [illegible].

Barrett & Mosher have erected a large blacksmith shop in the rear of their wagon and carriage works on Chase street.

No flag was displayed in Kane on Washington's birthday. Where was the usual patriotism that our people boast of.

Mrs. J. [illegible], who was so severely burned [illegible] gas explosion, is recovering slowly [illegible] gratify [illegible] many friends in Kane.

Chas H. Kemp has broken ground for his large brick [illegible] on Fraley street. Frank Green has the contract for excavating the cellar.

The [illegible] of trains and wonderful [illegible] by [illegible] President Harrison [illegible] fetched. Flatter us [illegible].

Miss May [illegible] Brooks has been quite ill since her [illegible] where she was visiting [illegible].

The [illegible] boys in Kane are highly pleased at the [illegible] and election of our Additional Law Judge Attorney [illegible] last week. It was a [illegible] than [illegible] well.

J. W. Messer [illegible] last week at [illegible] the P. O. S. of A. [illegible] at [illegible] with [illegible] enthusiastic [illegible] address of Secretary Wm. Weand.

[illegible] was visited by one of [illegible] for stealing a pair of [illegible] from [illegible] Frank [illegible] in Smethport.

[illegible] Mrs. William Fickle [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] regrets [illegible] her sudden [illegible].

[illegible] Ben Hurr [illegible] can [illegible] Ben.

H. H. [illegible] a deserving of much credit [illegible] of Kane borough. Through [illegible] Thomson & Huston of Pittsburgh, [illegible] electric [illegible] Mr. [illegible] the power [illegible] that he has lately [illegible] dual electric plant in the [illegible].

The [illegible] an extra [illegible] and [illegible] the authorities [illegible] of a [illegible] strangers, a few women and not less than two hundred Italians. Our police [illegible] of what they should be. The chief is a very efficient officer, but it is impossible [illegible] whole town [illegible] being too large. His [illegible] himself out very thin but cannot quite cover the area.

One evening last week about 8 o'clock Mrs. [illegible] and Mrs. Wm. [illegible] were on their way home from church. When passing [illegible] between the [illegible] and Wetmore avenue they were attacked by one of two loafers they had seen hanging [illegible] office. He seized [illegible] one of them. Mrs. Carmichael [illegible] succeeded in releasing herself from his grasp and gave the alarm. Mrs. Rose after quite a struggle [illegible] from the assailant and escaped. The ladies were not seriously hurt but badly frightened. Efforts have been made to arrest and bring to justice this inhuman wretch but so far have not succeeded in identifying the fiend however Chief of Police Looker and others are on the lookout for him.

CLERMONT.

The [illegible] spot has somewhat abated.

The snow has made the lumbermen happy.

Several families moved out of town last week.

Arthur Cole has moved his family to Kinzua.

Mrs. Foote is visiting her parents in Warren.

J. F. Hastings children are very ill with measles.

L. Baver was attending court at Smethport last week.

What has become of the first correspondent of this place?

L. Bayers mill has suspended operations for a few weeks.

Mrs. Fort Frisbee, of Larrabee, visited friends here last week.

The M. E. Sunday School is preparing for an Easter service.

Mrs. Samuel Bedford visited friends at Corryville last week.

Wm. Tate was the guest of his brother O. F. Tate last Sunday.

Mrs. Murnich and children are visiting her parents in Eldred.

Mr. Flinn and laugh er [illegible] have been visiting relatives here.

Miss E. F. Burt [illegible] and Miss Maggie Bedford visited [illegible] Tuesday.

A little girl has come to stay at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Steinhauer.

Rev. Leach held a prayer meeting in the church last Wednesday evening.

Miss Minnie Martin is recovering from a severe attack of ulcerated sore throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fiddler were made happy last Sunday by the arrival of a girl baby at their residence.

There was no school last Thursday and Friday as Prof. Presho attended the Teachers Association at Eldred.

One night last week the residence of Wm. Fiddler was entered by unknown persons and several articles stolen. Mr. and Mrs. Fiddler have been away for several weeks and left their household goods here. There was also an attempt made to rob the post office. We think that a dose of cold lead would be a very good medicine for those fellows.

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W. A. Doll is in [illegible], Pa.

Rexs Miller was in Olean Saturday.

James Byrnes was in town Monday.

H. D. Miller has shut down his Rixford mill.

J. L. Brock has returned from Austin after an extended visit.

H. Hendryx and wife returned Monday from from a visit to Scenga.

Frank Tyler of Port [illegible] was up last week looking after his log drive.

The new gas company's representatives are in town locating well No. 3.

S. P. Carter and family of Duke Centre spent Sunday at the Oswayo House.

Monday night a lodge of Sons of Temperance was organized here with a good attendance.

Monday morning took the cake and the cream of the season, the mercury going 11 below zero.

The B. N. Y. & P. R. R. cannot furnish broad gauge cars fast enough to meet the demands of shippers.

That green streak of light recently shot on the gum by [illegible] seems to have become obscured by [illegible].

According to signs spring is not far distant as the tourists are flocking in and the gamblers are buying [illegible].

KENDALL CREEK.

Lawrence Colwell is in Buffalo on business.

Perry Bailey and son, Bert, are in Rochester.

E. G. Williams and family have moved to Colvin Run.

Mrs. C. M. Jones is visiting friends at Salamanca, N. Y.

L. A. Parke, of Wesley, N. Y., was in town on business last week.

Miss Clara Watson is visiting friends at Little Valley, N. Y.

Mrs. D. E. Ash is entertaining her sister, Miss Garrett of Canada.

Miss Ella Ferguson attended the Teachers Association at Eldred last week.

Mrs. J. R. Almy returned Friday from a visit to her parents at Ceres, N. Y.

Mrs. Geo. W. Mitchell, who has been quite ill for the past three weeks is recovering.

Dr. D. E. Ash was called to Kingston, Ont., last Friday by the illness of his mother.

Lewis Brown, who has been a sufferer from typhoid fever for several weeks is now out of danger.

Miss Lizzie Cavanaugh, of Cattaraugus county is in town, the guest of her sister Mrs. A. P. Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Fields and family, of Pleasantville, are in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Fields.

Mrs. I. A. Osborne of Jamestown, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Davis has returned to her home.

The firm of Mitchell Bros. has dissolved partnership. Hereafter G. W. Mitchell will manage the store and J. R. Mitchell will look after the oil property.

The Y. W. C. T. U. will give a dime social Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. Butler, No. 29 Main street. A prize will be given to the lady who can saw a board the straightest, and also to the gentleman who can hem a towel in the best manner. Much sport is anticipated.

The whole community were shocked by the death of Mrs. E. H. Stover which occurred early Saturday morning. Mrs. Stover had been ill for a week but was not considered dangerous. She was feeling much better Friday night and would allow no one to sit up with her. Life was extinct when the family went to her room Saturday morning. Mr. Stover was absent on a business trip to Pittsburgh, and the eldest son, Guy was in Ohio. The sad news having reached them with difficulty, they hastened home. Mrs. Stover's brother Mr. Dunn and wife arrived Saturday night. The funeral services were held Tuesday at one o'clock at the house, by Rev. Eckels of Bradford. The remains were taken to Franklin for burial. The deceased was greatly loved and admired by all who knew her. Her pleasing manners amiable disposition and lovely character endeared her to all with whom she came in contact. She was an active member of the Presbyterian Aid Society and took a prominent part in all church work. The sorrowing husband and children have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

ELDRED.

R. A. Mackie visited Coudersport Monday.

C. W. Dennis and family of Mt. Morris, have been visiting friends in town.

Miss Smith of Fortville was the guest of Miss Abbie Wheeler over Sunday.

The G. A. R. is preparing for another of those pleasant camp fires to be held on Friday evening.

The Sunbeam Comedy Company which was billed here for Saturday evening failed to put in an appearance.

Dr. C. G. Richardson and family have returned from Philadelphia. The doctor is now a full fledged dentist.

Miss Nella Terry one of our popular music teachers, opened a singing school at the M. E. Church Tuesday evening.

The infant child of C. H. Rockwell died of pneumonia, on Tuesday of last week. It was taken to Farmers Valley for interment.

The Eldred Library Association met at the house of Miss Jennie Wolcott, Monday evening. The following officers were elected for this year: President, Mrs. W. W. Grove; Vice President, Mrs. H. E. Rockwell; Secretary, Miss Jennie Wolcott; Treasurer, Mrs. T. L. Sartwell; Trustees, Mrs. B. W. Rice, Mrs. C. G. Richardson, Miss Viola Squires.

Tuesday evening while adjusting a jointer for the purpose of jointing a saw at E. C. Wolcott & Co's mill T. D. Harly came very near losing the index finger of his right hand while at work by accidentally striking the saw which was under high speed. The flesh was torn from the middle joint to the end, leaving the bone bare. Dr. Young dressed the finger and thinks that with proper care it can yet be saved.

The meeting of the Teachers Association held at this place was a marked success. About 35 teachers were enrolled. The lecture on "Formative Influence" given by Rev. Grifler of Olean on Thursday evening was listened to by a large and appreciative audience. Prof. Geo. P. Beble of Williamsport entertained the people Friday evening with his character impersonations. The old maid seemed to make a lecture of it.

COLEGROVE.

March came to us cold and beautiful.

Larry Seaman is having his dwelling house repaired and enlarged.

Mrs. Lottie Stewart is visiting her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. William Alice.

Mr. Arnold Gallup is at present assisting as salesman in the store of C. A. Anderson.

The teamsters were out in full force Monday to get all the good possible from the snow.

Miss Lillie Burlingame of Marvin Creek, visited her sister Mrs. Albert Olmsted the first of the week.

The board of school directors of Norwich have decided to adopt the long term of school having the school open near the 1st of September and continue through winter and spring.

Several of the [illegible] youths in some of the schools have been suspended for refusing to comply with the teachers requests and rules of government. Some of the rest might profit by the example and spare the parents the humiliation of seeing their children expelled from the schools.

A true nonsense now and then" suits the people of Colegrove well. The Union Church was filled with an attentive and well pleased audience one night last week, to listen to the [illegible] lecturer, Mr. Brown. We think it has been a long time since the church echoed so much laughter as it did that night. The collection taken for Mr. Brown was about $11 00.

FOUR MILE.

R. [illegible] Kilhoff has been sick for some time past.

M. [illegible] Kilhoff visited friends in Sergeant last week.

Mrs. B. H. Frisbee of Corryville was the guest of Miss Weaver last week.

A. W. Richards came over from Wilcox on business Monday of last week.

Mrs. Frank Selden visited with friends in [illegible] Tuesday of last week.

P. Imerlan [illegible] returned from an extended visit to friends in Olean and Cuba.

Messrs. Quinn and Sherman of Sinnamahoning, have bought the new mill formerly owned by C. H. Moore and expect to have it in running order in a few days.

"Are you going to the races?" "Yes, and bet on the winning horse." "Not the handsome Abdalah, he is lame. Didn't you know?" "I'll whisper in your ear, he'll win. They're using Salvation Oil."

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Department Encampment

The annual meeting of the Department Encampment of the G. A. R. was held in Altoona last week and was one of the largest if not the largest assemblage of veterans ever convened under one roof in this State. Four-fifths of all the Posts of the State were represented, and the Opera House, which it is said will seat 1,100 people, was packed with veterans during the several sessions of the Encampment. Capt. Geo. Boyer of Harrisburg, one of the most popular comrades in the Department, was elected Dept. Commander, Comrade Mickle of Philadelphia, Senior Vice Commander and McKean Post No. 347 was honored in the election of Comrade T. A. Morrison as Junior Vice Dept. Commander.

The Camp-Fire on Tuesday evening was a grand success and one of the most eloquent speeches made on that occasion was by Mrs. Morrison of this place.

The W. R. C. had a large representation from the several Corps of the State at their session. Mrs. Lindsey of Warren was elected Department President and Mrs. Emma Gifford of this place was elected as one of the delegates to Detroit.

An Intellectual Treat.

The lecture to be delivered by Prof. W. Colegrove on Tuesday evening next at the M. E. Church will be an intellectual treat that the people of Smethport seldom have an opportunity of listening to. Prof. Colegrove is a resident of West Virginia and is coming here to visit some friends in this place. His reputation as an eloquent platform speaker is extensive but the lecture to be delivered here is given for the benefit of the church society to assist in paying off a debt against the parsonage built last year. Every citizen of the town is interested in liquidating that debt, and there ought to be a large turn-out to hear the eloquent professor. The following from the Harrisville (W. Va.) *Gazette* refers to the lecture which will be delivered here next Tuesday night:

"One of the richest literary treats ever given the people of Harrisville was the lecture last Friday evening by Prof. W. Colegrove. It was as pure and graceful an effort as was ever heard. There was not a defect in it. Every idea, every sentence, every word fitted in its place and sparkled like a gem. Prof. Colegrove is a man of profound learning, of splendid literary taste, an orator and a genius. No lecturer in America has anything finer or more Catholic than his Excelsior."

LITERARY NOTES.

UNPUBLISHED MATTER FOR LITERARY NOTE.

A decided acquisition to the staff of the *Cosmopolitan Magazine* is Mr. Brander Mathews, President of the Nineteenth Century Club, the well known litterateur, who takes charge of the department of book reviews. The keen critical taste of Mr. Mathews, and his fine judgment in literary matters, will make his opinion valued in every household. Mr. Mathews' name, added to that of Edward Everett Hale, in charge of "Social Problems", Murat Halstead reviewing "Current Events," and Miss Bisland with her European articles, gives the *Cosmopolitan* a departmental staff of exceptional brilliancy.

AUCTIONEERING IN BUENOS AYRES.

The auctioneer, *martillero* or *rematador*, is a great personage in the Argentine, and an indispensable factor in the commerce of the country. An auction, or *remate*, is the beginning, the end and the intermediary period of almost every transaction. In no city in the world is there anything to be compared with the *remates* of Buenos Ayres, and in no country has sale by auction become the universal national institution that it is in the Argentine. The moment the visitor lands he sees immense advertisements, *remate de terrenos*, a fine corner lot here, so many leagues there, the fourth page of the huge blanket sheet newspapers is filled with advertisements of sales of land and houses, the streets are hung with flags, banners, and scarlet cloths, with white letters announcing *gran remates* of this and that; along the Paseo de Julio the cheap-jack shops have their auctioneer perched on the counter, and other *rematadores* are there under the colonnade ready to sell leagues of land to the newly arrived immigrants. Cargoes of imported merchandise, ships, land, houses, crops, wool, the products and fruits of the country, cattle, blooded stock, furniture, jewelry, things new and things old, all pass under the hammer, and the auctioneer takes his percentage varying from 1½ to 8 per cent., and becomes richer and richer as his voice grows hoarser and hoarser.—From "The Argentine Capital," by Theodore Child, in *Harper's Magazine* for March.

TALLEYRAND AND NAPOLEON'S MINISTER OF POLICE.

Talleyrand has narrated how he and Napoleon were startled by the movements of the police while they were plotting the overthrow of the Directory. In the March *Century* occurs a passage concerning his plot for the restoration of the Bourbons and how such an interruption he again experienced, this time from Napoleon's Minister of Police.

"One evening in February, 1814, several visitors were gathered in my drawing room among them Baron Louis, the Archbishop of Malines, M. de Pradt, M. Dalberg, and several others. We chatted of things generally, but more particularly of those momentous events of the times which naturally occupied every mind. Suddenly the door was flung open, and, without allowing the footman time to announce him, General Savary, the Minister of General Police, rushed into the room exclaiming: 'Ah! That is how I catch you all, in the very act of conspiring against the Government!' Despite the would-be serious tone of his remark, we soon saw he had meant it as a joke while endeavoring in the meantime to pick up some little item with which to swell his police report to the Emperor. He failed, however, to disconcert us, and the state of things justified but too fully the anxiety we, each and all, expressed to him concerning Napoleon's perilous situation and the consequences that might result from it. I am rather inclined to believe that had not the Emperor taken General Savary would not have failed to bring under his notice the boldness and what he looked upon as the cleverness of his conduct on this occasion. A nasty business, after all, is that of a Minister of Police."

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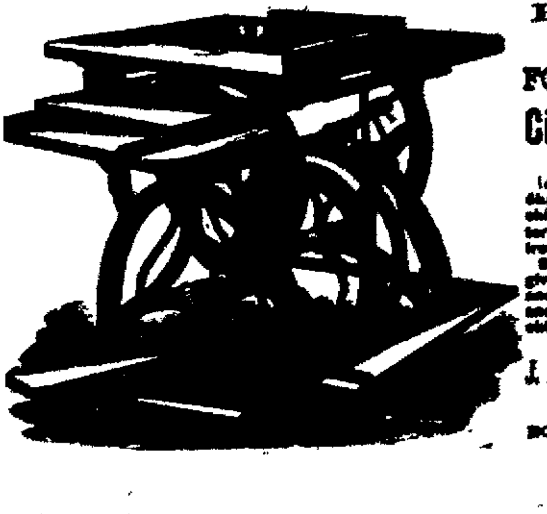

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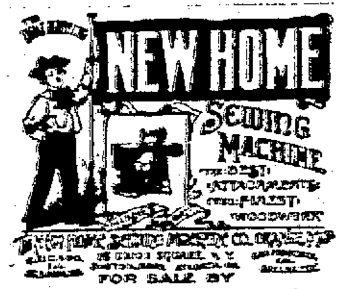

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Differing Treatment for the Various Conditions Found in Orchard and Garden.

The treatment of trees and bushes depends on surrounding conditions—age, variety and the desired end for which the article is to be grown. If trees are newly set out from the nursery having roots considerably shortened, the top should be trimmed back, forming, if possible, a symmetrical head about as high from the ground as may be desired for permanent growth, and leaving the tree as evenly balanced as possible. Heads may be started low, if desired to keep near the ground, but if in an orchard, where horse and plow are to be used in cultivating the ground, more thorough work may be done near the trees by having heads high.

If trees in orchard have been bearing last season it will be noticed that certain varieties of the plum threw out long, slender branches that were ruined by being broken off near the trunk because of overbearing. These are the Yellow Egg, and perhaps Greengage and Bradshaws. Trees of such nature should have those long limbs materially shortened, so that just proportion may be had in thickness from the trunk according to the length of the limb. Other varieties have strong, large limbs, but are filled with short suckers that, if permitted to remain, would create too much foliage and absorb the substance essential to the fruit. In trimming these back care must be taken not to cut off fruit spurs, which are easily distinguished by the plump, round head of the bud. All suckers or small branches not requiring to be kept for bearing should be removed close to the body of the large limbs. If the main branches are long they should be cut back considerably in order to give them proportionate strength. By all means see that the tree is as nearly evenly balanced as may be possible to make it.

Bushes, such as currants and gooseberries, especially the former, may be grown in tree form if desired with very good results. It takes longer time to produce a given amount of fruit, but when grown from a good stock and branched will produce very large berries, and constantly increase in the quantity produced for some years. The trimming is on the same principle as with larger trees. In pruning with a view to produce fruit always remember this is borne on the second year's wood. If desired to grow in bush form the best shoots should be allowed to grow, and each of these may be trained to form heads, but not allowed to crowd too closely. Blackberries and raspberries should have all old canes removed. Then tie to stake or trellis. Cut back to about four feet from the ground or less, depending upon variety.—Horticulturist.

When to Sow Grass Seed.

It is the practice of many to sow timothy seed in the fall, and clover seed in the spring, but I have found it best to sow all grass seed of every kind early in the spring, while the snow is yet on the ground, for the snow does not injure the seed, but helps it to get an early start, says a practical farmer correspondent. Grass is a very active plant, but only so in wet and warm weather. This gives the hint when to sow. In the fall nature has suspended nearly all activity in the grass plant. Whatever is then put in the ground has to fight for bare existence, and if overtaken by drought is sure to succumb. Like the deciduous trees, they are then disposed to store their sap food in their roots under ground, and, like the bears, hibernate, or go to sleep for the winter, and little growth can then be secured, unless the fall should be wet, of which there is no certainty. But in the early spring it is otherwise.

Then there is no uncertainty. As early as March the sap begins to flow in the roots of the grasses, and they are then awakened from their long sleep. Now, if at this time the grass seed be sown every seed will grow, especially if sown on the snow, for the dampness of the snow will swell the seed without injuring it, and just as soon as the snow is gone it will spring into life, and will then be nursed by the spring rains beyond danger when the spring drought comes on. No harrowing is then required, for the melting of the snow, dissolving frost, and the early spring rains will sufficiently cover the seed.

If the spring seeding be deferred until after the ground is plowed it is then too late. The dissolving frost and spring rains have then passed, and the dry, hot weather will kill the tender grass plants before they get fairly rooted. This is the reason why grass seed never takes well with oats, for oat ground is usually plowed in the spring after most of the spring rains have passed, but if the ground for oats be plowed in the fall and the oats with the grass seed be sown right after the first snow the grass seed will be sure to take even with oats. Why? Because the grass seed will then have sufficient moisture to give it root before the spring drought sets in.

Here and There.

It is announced that the Massachusetts Horticultural society will spend $3,620 in prizes for flowers and plants during 1891.

Wolves and other wild beasts interfere with the sheep industry of southwest Texas.

Everything appears to indicate that there will be a scarcity of fat cattle for the spring market.

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The Pennsylvania State Horticultural association holds its annual meeting at Lancaster Jan. 20 and 21, in connection with the Farmers' institute.

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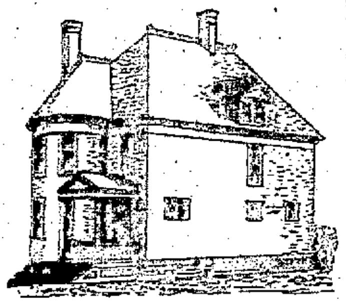
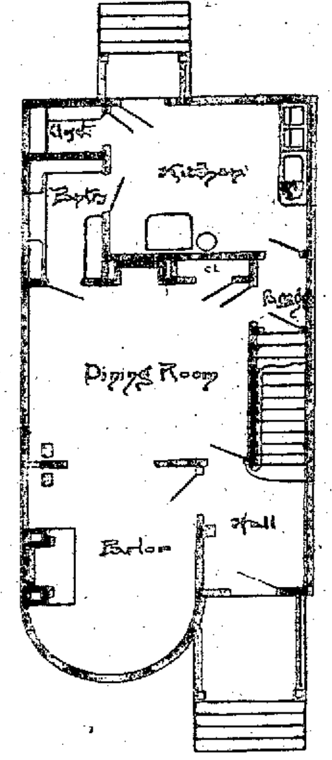


PERSPECTIVE.

In the arrangement of the rooms in the first story it will be noticed that the reception hall extends only to the foot of the stairs, which are inclosed by a partition. The conventional long, narrow hallway so common in narrow houses is omitted, and the extra space is given to the dining room, increasing its width by some 3½ feet. This adds upward of 50 feet of floor space which would otherwise be wasted. Other advantages are derived by this arrangement. The chimney and fireplace are placed on the side in the middle, giving abundant space for the pantry on the left, with a good sized china closet and a back hallway leading to the kitchen and the cellar stairs, with a store room for the kitchen back of the pantry. The parlor is separated from the dining room by heavy portieres, has a circular bay window in front and an open fireplace on one side.

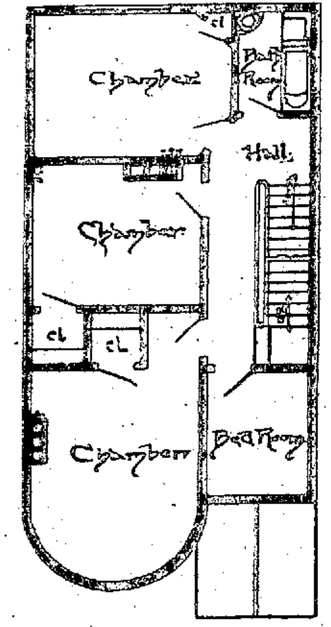


FIRST STORY.

In the second story there is one large chamber with circular bay, and one small bedroom in front, one chamber above the dining room and one in the rear of the house, with staircase, hall, bathroom and closets complete.

The attic contains three bedrooms and a hall and one storeroom.

The cellar extends under the entire house and has a concrete floor and stone foundation walls. The building above the foundation walls is of wood—lower story sheathed with tongue and grooved lumber and clapboarded, side walls of second story and all roofs straight; rooms throughout are plastered two coats and papered. floor in first story and treads and risers of stairs are of yellow pine; newels, rails and balusters, top of bathroom and kitchen sink and water closet seat of cherry; all other inside woodwork of white pine painted two coats and varnished; plumbing of good quality, bronzed hardware for first story, japanned in the second story and attic—the whole building built complete for $2,000.



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The marshy, overflowed lands, sunken lots and half submerged river banks, which give them birth, the seeds of malaria impregnate the air, and are inhaled at every breath by thousands unprovided with an adequate safeguard against the baneful influence. Yet such exist—potent alike to remedy or to prevent, pure in its constituents, and the professionally recognized substitute for the hateful drug, quinine. Its name is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a family specific and safeguard, foremost not only of an antidote to malaria, but also as a means of permanently removing dyspepsia, and relieving constipation, liver complaint, rheumatism, kidney and bladder ailments, and nervousness. Among invigorants it takes the first place, and is also a superb appetizer. Use it systematically.

A Baby with Two Heads.

Carefully preserved in a small tin case, in the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington, D. C., not on public exhibition, but accessible to medical students and others interested, reposes one of the greatest curiosities of the Nineteenth century. The curiosity in question is a baby with two heads; or, perhaps, it would be more proper to speak of it or them as a double baby. The heads, which are about the size of baseballs, are perfect; so are the two trunks, which come together at the waist.

The four shoulders, four arms and two chests are natural and normal. The hips are of the proper size for an infant of its apparent age, as are also the legs and feet. Every part of the child seems natural enough until the point of union is reached, the place where the ribs of the two boys grow together. From there down the freak is only a single human being. The scientists of the institute regard it as a much greater freak than the Siamese twins, that is, providing it had lived.—St. Louis Republic.

Queer Vegetable Remedies.

Some of the vegetable remedies used in medicine are exceedingly curious. Doubtless you have observed what are called "galls" upon trees. They occur upon all trees and upon many other plants of every sort, being caused by insects which bore into the bark and build around themselves secure places for hiding and laying their eggs. In due time they bore their way out, appearing in the shape of full fledged flies, and leave their empty houses behind them.

The oak is most particularly chosen by these insects, and in Asia Minor a large business is made of collecting the empty galls for market. It is from that part of the world that most of the supply comes. Their chief use in medicine is an astringent in diarrhœa. Oak galls contain something like 70 per cent. of tannic acid, and it is from them that tanners obtain their most important material for the preparation of leather. However, galls from all sorts of plants have very much the same properties and constitution.—Washington Star.

Impure Fertilization of Bees.

The query, "How far would colonies of Italians used for queen rearing need to be removed from hybrids to prevent their crossing with the hybrid drones?" was recently asked and answered in The American Bee Journal by a number of prominent apiarians.

The majority replied, "At least three miles away;" several favored as great a distance as five or more miles. M. Mahin said:

"When there were no Italian bees but mine in the neighborhood a black queen nearly five miles away produced yellow branded bees, and had mated with a drone from my apiary. If there are mixed bees within four or five miles some queens are liable to be mismated."

G. W. Demaree replied: "In my opinion drones rarely ever fly more than one or two miles from their home. This 'guess' is based on years of practical experience. If there were no hybrids or other race or varieties of bees within two miles of my apiary I would expect to see 98 per cent. of my Italian queens purely mated."

The editor of The Journal said that it would hardly be safe to count on pure fertilization if there were impure bees within five miles.

Value of Manure.

Mr. F. D. Curtis said in reply to the question asked at a recent farmers' institute about the value of hog manure per ton:

It depends. With a large amount of bedding, not so much; with a moderate amount, twice as much as ordinary barn yard manure, which is valued at $3 per ton. I would put the value of good hog manure at $6 per ton. This does not mean when it is half water, but the solid matter. The quality of the food makes a great difference. When the hogs are fed bran, middlings or linseed meal the manure is worth twice as much as when fed on corn, barley or rye.

When sheep are kept in winter under cover and all the secretions are saved, their manure is as good as that of swine, provided they are fed the same kinds of grain. The urine of sheep is equal to the solid excrement as a fertilizing material. When hogs are fed on corn or other starchy foods alone their manure would not be equal to that of sheep fed on clover hay and bran or other nitrogenous foods.

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